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## Hongkong Income Tax Proposals Starts Controversy in Two Capitals

# 'SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST' QUOTED BY NAZI WIRELESS

### "REUTER" REPLY TO BERLIN ALLEGATIONS

LONDON, Oct. 25 (REUTER).—THE GERMAN WIRELESS HAS STRESSED AN ARTICLE IN THE "SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST" REGARDING THE INDIGNATION OF THE CHINESE POPULATION AT THE INTRODUCTION OF INCOME TAX IN HONGKONG.

A special commentary, issued in London to-day, states that the following points are relevant in this connection:

- 1.—If the paper actually wrote as reported, it shows the great liberty enjoyed by the Press in British colonies. Such a free expression of opinion would be inconceivable in German territory.
- 2.—Chinese British subjects in Hongkong have for many years held seats on the Executive and Legislative Councils. There is no question of taxation without representation.

### STRICKEN WARSAW

#### Demand For Dead Dogs As Food

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An appalling account of the conditions in Warsaw was given to "Reuter" by a neutral observer who has just arrived from there.

This observer declared that dead dogs are in the greatest demand for human food. A dog cost nearly 10 shillings.

#### Indescribable Misery

The general misery of the city is indescribable. Many of the most prominent buildings and thoroughfares are totally destroyed. There are no electric lights, water, or tram; only a bus line is running.

All the shops are closed and the publication of all newspapers is suspended, but the Germans are running their own newspaper.

M. Starzynski, the heroic mayor, and other members of the Civil Committee which were charged with the defence of the city to the last, are being held as hostages by the Germans.

#### Rebellious Inhabitants

M. Starzynski is carrying out his duties in the Town Hall under German surveillance.

The deathlike quiet of the city is only broken at night-time by revolver shots exchanged by German soldiers and the still rebellious inhabitants.

### Hitler Defied

#### Danish Germans Will Not Return To Reich

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German Party in Denmark has protested against the suggestion that Germans in Northern Schleswig will be compulsorily returned to the Reich.

The Party held a protest meeting after the question of transfer was raised in Parliament by a Nationalist member.

The leader of the German Party described such a plan as insulting. The suggestion is rejected indignantly. He said: "Here we belong and here we stay."

### TAXATION LEAGUE

HERE are the suggestions of readers tabulated to show you how they would raise extra revenue. Use this box to mark off by means of a tick, the types of taxation you would propose. If you have any additional suggestions, add them on a sheet of paper or on a post-card.

	Per Cent.
Wines, spirits and beer	65
Clothes and other sweeps	60
Horse racing	45
Raffles	45
Government lotteries	40
Cigarettes and perfumes	35
Luxury articles	30
Entertainment tax	25

Other readers voted for additional taxation on tobacco, motor cars, radio licences, drivers licences, stock exchange margin, cats, property owners, tea, oil, salt, death duties, aliens, road side hoardings.

### WHAT WOULD YOU TAX

A LOT of Hongkong people believe that they know how to raise the extra money that will be needed by the Hongkong Government next year.

But they are quite definite about income tax.

Out of all the letters and post-cards received by the "Telegraph" yesterday afternoon and early this morning, not one was in favour of this form of taxation.

The opinion of readers will be published from day to day in the "Telegraph." Those received were submitted in response to an article which appeared in yesterday's issue asking readers to suggest the best methods for raising taxation in the Colony.

Other readers are asked to submit suggestions and to mark, with a tick, the items in the table accompanying this article, which items they think should be taxed.

So far, most readers have voted for additional taxation on wines, beer and spirits and on club and other sweeps.

Others believe that house rents and bachelors should be heavily taxed.

Quite a large number of readers suggested the institution of Government lotteries. This is one possible form of taxation which was not suggested yesterday.

Cigarettes, perfumes, luxury articles and increased entertainment tax are also suggested.

One reader believes that income tax would be "sound logical and inevitable" but that Government blundered.

"It dropped too heavily on the professional man who regards himself as a labourer getting his living by personal exertion. If Government had asked up on the middle-class and gone for the unearned wealth there would have been no kick except from the millionaires."

"The size of the contribution to the Imperial Government is also unreasonable. We have our own defence costs. Take a look at the Fin-

### BROADCAST BY EDEN

#### Living Tokens Of Broken Faith

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Co-operation between the Dominions and Britain in war time was the theme of the broadcast made by Mr. Anthony Eden, who at the outset referred to the impending presence in London of Cabinet Ministers from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

There will be practical discussions with these Ministers, and from these discussions would result that close co-operation which was their common aim.

Mr. Eden instanced the development of the Empire air power as one indication that their wartime collaboration with the Dominions had already begun production of practical results.

**Initiative Lost**

In a discussion on hostilities, Mr. Eden said the war was less than two months old, but Hitler had already lost the initiative.

"The aggressor's early advantage is spent. The road to the east is blocked by Russia or barred by Turkey."

"In the West every passing week increases the strength of the free democracies. With fast gathering momentum, we swing into our stride," said Mr. Eden.

"German attacks on our fleet and merchantmen have failed utterly to their purpose."

"By comparison with the last war, the submarine has proved to be an ineffective weapon, while the percent-

### Pocket Cruiser At Large

#### Deutschland Sinks More Shipping

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The British steamer Stonegate 5,044 tons) was attacked and sunk by the German pocket battleship Deutschland on a voyage from Valparaiso to England, according to a member of the crew who has arrived in Norway.

The crew were taken on board the Deutschland, which proceeded to the north until she met the United States steamer, City of Flint.

They were then transferred to the City of Flint with a German prize crew.

The Germans intended to take the American ship to a German harbour, but she ran short of water, probably somewhere off Greenland, and called at Tromsø en route to Murmansk.

### Another Victim

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The steamer Lorenz W. Hansen, which was reported on October 20 to have been sunk by enemy action, was sunk by the Deutschland, which has been manoeuvring in the east and south of Newfoundland, according to the newspaper "Aftenposten."

### 4,400-Ton Tanka Sunk

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Another British steamer, the 4,400 ton Tanka, has been sunk.

Thirty-one of her crew of 45 have been saved.

The Tanka is owned by the La Tunisienne Steamship Company of Swansea and was sunk in North Atlantic.

**Clan Chisholm Survivors**

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—All the European officers of the Clan Chisholm, which was sunk by the enemy, were saved but only 17 of the 60 Indian seamen are at present reported to have been rescued.

### 20 Still Missing

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It is now reported that the survivors of the Clan Chisholm comprise 18 Europeans and 60 Indian members of the crew, leaving about 20 unaccounted for.

### TRIPARTITE PACT TO BE RATIFIED

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister announced that in view of the exceptional circumstances, it was desired that the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Treaty should be ratified as soon as possible. Therefore, it is proposed to submit the treaty for His Majesty's signature at once, and the instruments for ratification will be arranged in Ankara next week.

### PEACE REPORTS DENIED

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A categorical denial of peace rumours was made by Mr. Chu Chia-hua, Secretary-General of the Central Kuomintang, in an interview with "Reuter" this afternoon.

He also ridiculed the rumours that the Soviet Government has made demands on China, declaring that the Sino-Soviet relations are "most friendly."

### R.A.F. Sink "Pocket" Battleship

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An eye-witness of the R.A.F. raid on Wilhelmshaven declares that the 26,000 ton battleship Gneisenau was destroyed, according to the Norwegian newspaper "Arbeider Bladet."

It states that a bomb went down the funnel and exploded in the engine room, breaking the ship into two.

Several men were drowned.

"United Press" claimed that the Gneisenau had been sunk in its original report of the raid.

### REPLY TO RIBBENTROP

### WAR GUILT DISPROVED

#### Britain's Eagerness For Peace

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the following facts disprove Herr von Ribbentrop's allegations that Britain had plotted war for years and had rejected Hitler's peaceful overtures:

1.—Britain permitted Hitler to re-introduce conscription, build an air force, re-militarise the Rhineland, occupy Austria and Sudetenland;

2.—Britain has constantly striven for good understanding with Germany and the present British Government has been strongly criticised in the U.S.A. and neutral countries for the lengths it went to achieve this end;

3.—Britain's guarantee to Poland was given on March 31. Poland had rejected Hitler's demands on March 20;

**Hitler's Betrayal**

4.—Mr. Chamberlain returned from Munich last year with Hitler's promise that any question arising between Germany and Britain would be settled by consultation.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "This is peace for our time." Six months later, Hitler betrayed him by seizing Czechoslovakia;

5.—Both Britain and France repelled favourably the Italian peace proposals on August 31, but laid it down as fundamental in reply to the second proposal on September 2 that the Germans should evacuate Polish territory;

6.—Germany herself made war inevitable by invading Poland on September 1.

### Air Training In Colonies

#### Ministry May Extend Empire Scheme

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, asked in the House of Commons this afternoon what steps would be taken to use the flying services in the Crown Colonies and India, said:

"Organisations for flying will be developed to the fullest possible extent all over the Empire."

"The suggestion that the Empire Air Training Scheme be extended to the Crown Colonies and India will be carefully considered."

### Blockade Of Reich Complete

#### Germany Cut Off From Outside World

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, reviewed the progress of the blockade in a statement in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Cross said that 338,000 tons of goods destined for Germany had been intercepted and detained in the first six weeks of the war.

Germany is now practically cut off from all her overseas sources of supply.

### Belligerent Rights

The British Government was determined to exercise its belligerent rights, but would take full account of the bona fide trading needs of neutrals.

Discussions are now proceeding with a number of neutral countries on questions connected with the Contraband Control.

Representatives of Iceland, Sweden, Netherlands and Belgium are now in London.

### ROYAL OAK ENQUIRY

#### Mr. Churchill To Make Statement

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated in the House of Commons to-day that an enquiry into the causes of the loss of H.M.S. Royal Oak will take place as speedily as possible.

He hopes to make a statement next week.

**Will Have To Be Careful**

Mr. Churchill indicated that he would have to be very careful not to disclose information which might be of advantage to other parties.

He asked if his attention was drawn to the U-boat commander's statement to the effect that he was two days in the vicinity of Scapa Flow. Mr. Churchill said: "A number of statements made by the U-boat commander were in part composed of repetition of information given in this House and part of which had no relation to fact." (Laughter.)

### King Leopold's Broadcast

BRUSSELS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It is announced that King Leopold's broadcast to the United States will take place at 2.15 a.m. on Friday instead of to-morrow.

### JUNK MACHINE-GUNNED IN HONGKONG WATERS

#### Antiquated Cannon Reply to Japan

BRITISH WATERS proved no protection for Pan Fat, junk master, when his craft became the target of Japanese machine gun fire at 3 a.m. yesterday. One of the bullets struck his sister, Pan Wo, 17, who lay asleep in the stern.

Pan reports that his junk was in Deep Bay off Lo So Shan when a Japanese motor boat approached from the direction of Lin Tin Island and opened fire with a machine gun.

Pan did not take the attack lying down, but discharged his junk cannon in return and fired a few rifle shots. The motor boat turned back, but not before Pan's sister was injured.

### Amazing German Canard

#### Figments Of Imagination

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German wireless on October 23 quoted an amazing statement about the Anglo-Franco-Turkish agreement which it was alleged had been taken from an article by the Istanbul correspondent of the "Paris Soir," says a special commentary on the war situation.

The correspondent is supposed to have written that Turkey had been promised 500 British aeroplanes, one-sixth of the petrol production in the Mosul district, the cession of Alexandretta and the withdrawal of half the French troops from the Syrian-Turkish border.

All of these allegations are entirely without foundation and, it can be definitely stated, never appeared in the "Paris Soir."

### Fantastic Suggestion

The cession of Alexandretta was, as it is well known, the outcome of a separate agreement concluded some time ago between the two countries. It is infinitely higher.

"The Royal Navy and our mercantile marine have swept and kept the seas, the much heralded German offensive on the west still hangs fire, while winter closes in—winter doubtless will be difficult for all, but infinitely to be dreaded by Germany."

"In all this, there is encouragement for final victory, nor has any of us any doubt as regards the ultimate outcome."

### World Can Judge

"The Nazi leaders loudly declare that war is thrust upon them. The PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

### TIRED OF BEING IN GAOL

#### So He Tried To Escape

Lan Muk-sing, a Chinese prisoner who attempted to escape from the Victoria Remand Cells yesterday, declared in the Central Magistracy this morning that he did so because he was tired of being in gaol.

He was sentenced to six months hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards, Inspector A. Kirby prosecuted.

Lan broke out of his cell yesterday morning, jumped forty feet from the roof on to an archway over the steps leading to the Magistracy and then, after running along the top of the wall, jumped a further fifteen feet into Arbutnot Road.

His undoing came when he attempted to leap across a small gutter into a lane off Wyndham Street. He fell heavily, twisting his ankle and was easily re-captured by the warders.

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# More Recruits Sought

For Maintenance of War Supplies

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter). The War Office announces that recruiting will be open to-morrow for a new corps of men between 18 and 50, to be known as the auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps, which will ensure the proper maintenance of supplies for the armies at home and abroad.

The announcement says that a vast amount of stores have to be handled and to ensure smooth transportation, lines of communication must be maintained in a fit condition.

# America's Record Gold Holdings

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter). The United States Treasury's gold holdings have reached the highest figure on record—over 3,500,000,000, which represents more than two-thirds of the world's monetary gold stocks.

The figure of 3,500,000,000 worth of gold was added to the Treasury's holdings in the past year.

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# NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction, to be held on Monday, the 30th day of October, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent, to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
1	4183	Adjoining Kwun Tong Island, Lot No. 197 & 2310, Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	As per sale plan.	About 5,100	135	\$2,325

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
2	4184	Adjoining Kwun Tong Island, Lot No. 197 & 2311, Argyle Street.	As per sale plan.	About 12,400	132	\$1,920

# Arab Support For Allies

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Arab support for the Allied cause was expressed by the new Saudi Arabian Minister to Paris in an interview at Istanbul.

The Minister said: "All Arab countries are watching with great interest the events in Europe and sympathise with the Allied cause of justice and harmony against aggression."

"All Arabs are ready to give the fullest support to the Allies."

# U.S. HAS 200,000 MORE WORKLESS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The United States industrial employment has increased by 200,000 compared with September, according to the estimate made by the Secretary of Labour.

# British Ban On Silver Imports

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Board of Trade has prohibited the importation, except under licence, of silver bullion and foreign silver coins.

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**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction, to be held on Monday, the 30th day of October, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, for a term of 21 years.

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				feet	feet	feet	feet			
3	Garden Lot No. 106.	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 78, Stubbs Road, Wanchai Gap.		as per sale plan.				About 10,300	\$28	\$355
	Garden Lot No. 107.	do.	do.					About 4,800	\$12	

# Britons Interned In Germany

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A total of 102 British civilians are interned in Germany. It was announced in the House of Commons to-day. The United States Charge d'Affaires in Berlin is in charge of relief measures where necessary.

Funds are to be sent to him so that he can continue his work.

It is hoped to be able to arrange a more permanent scheme for interned Britons.

## Parcels For Prisoners

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The sending of parcels to British prisoners in Germany is under consideration. In the interim, arrangements have been completed by the Air Ministry for the first consignment of parcels for R.A.F. prisoners in Germany was despatched on October 20.

# WHAT WOULD YOU TAX

(Continued from Page 1.)

ancient Minutes published by you to-day.

L. D. W. wants to see Government economise by getting down the present cost of administration, which he considers is too high.

E. C. also thinks that Government is spending far too much on the cost of administration.

N.B.: "Government should institute a lottery of the type run in Queensland where the entire hospital system is run from this form."

A.B.W.: "Put additional taxation on property owners. They are the people who have swollen the cost of living in the Colony. But if they are taxed, Government must see that they do not pass it on."

N.W.: "I think the only real way of obtaining the large sum of money the Government needs for defence purposes is through a lottery. All other gambling such as horse racing, club sweeps and stock exchange profits should also be heavily taxed."

A.M.: "Luxuries should bear the brunt of new taxation. Perfumes, beer, wine and spirits, tobacco, cigarettes, motor-cars and sporting articles and yachts should be amongst the first taxed."

The majority of readers contented themselves with filing in the form published in the "Telegraph" yesterday.

Those who forward suggestions to-day are invited to add comments on their reasons for proposing new forms of taxation for opposing any old or proposed forms of taxation. A further selection of letters will be published to-morrow.

# AMAZING GERMAN CANARD

(Continued from Page 1.)

evidence is against them and documents have been published—the world can judge.

"In Warsaw, as in Prague and scores of other cities, German troops stand as invaders to-day. Every one of them is there in defiance of Hitler's pledged word. Each is a living token of the German Government's broken faith," declared Mr. Eden.

The Dominions Secretary also stressed the success of the British Commonwealth of Nations and the spontaneous manner in which the Dominions have entered the present conflict, showed that they shared Britain's love of liberty and hatred for tyranny.



GENERAL LI CHUNG-JEN, Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangsi forces, interrogates a young Kwangsi girl in uniform, visibly proud of the fact that she is being addressed by such a famous army leader.

# BROADCAST BY EDEN

(Continued from Page 1.)

months ago between Turkey and France, and has already been put into effect.

The statement regarding the Mosul oil can only be described as fantastic.

The German wireless also says that the British Government had promised to construct a new port for Turkey at their own expense. This is entirely untrue.

## "Domel" Report Denied

Another part of the special commentary says there is no truth in the "Domel" report that Lord Halifax told the Chinese Minister to London at the outbreak of the war that Britain could no longer support Chiang Kai-shek.

The special commentary says that the following facts provide startling evidence of the improvement in national health. On the introduction of conscription in 1917, 65 per cent. of the youth of 18 were allocated to grade 1. In June 1939, 83 per cent. of the militiamen were classified grade 1, and 9.3 per cent. in grade 2, that is 92 per cent. of the 20-year age group were passed fit for active service.

## About Germany

The following reports regarding Germany emanate from a reliable source. As early as September 17 the inhabitants at Dresden knew that quantities of gas were being transported daily to military depots in the west.

Official steps are being taken to prevent contact between troops from the Eastern Front and the Western Front at railway stations.

Germany is pursuing a policy of sending older men to the front and keeping the younger men in the Party organisations.

# The King Receives Sir Eric Phipps

(Continued from Page 1.)

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King to-day received in audience at Buckingham Palace Sir Eric Phipps on his relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador to Paris.

Later Sir Eric and Lady Phipps, luncheon with the King and Queen.

His Majesty also received Colonel Denys Reitz, the South African Minister for Native Affairs, who is the first Dominions Minister to arrive in London for the pending Empire Conference.

# BULGARIA TO GO TO THE POLLS

SOFIA, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The new Government has ordered the dissolution of Parliament which is due to meet on Saturday.

A general election is promised in December.

The Government's step is no surprise as it is thought it would probably have been defeated if it had met in Parliament.

# City Of Flint: U.S. To Take Action

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Government determined to follow the City of Flint case through to a logical conclusion from the standpoint of international law and American rights, declared Mr. Cordell Hull in a press conference to-day.

Mr. Hull added that the State Department still had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the crew.

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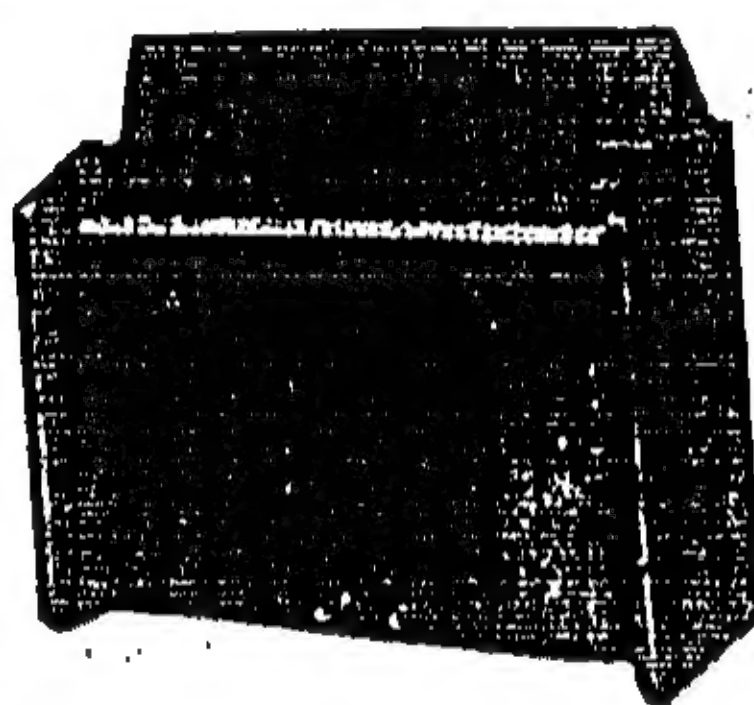


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### Morale in War

THERE is nothing to be more scrupulously avoided in war than a depreciation of the power and spirit of an opponent. It is facts that count.

When the last World War broke out there was no doubt of the enthusiasm of the German people. They were told and they firmly believed that they had been called upon to defend the life and freedom of the Fatherland; and they fought with a devotion which all the world acknowledged.

It is doubtful if the whole German people are fired now by equal ardour.

Day after day, of late, reports have come through various channels of discontent and disorder: "Berlin is a city of sad faces. There is no wish for war, only a dull fear that it may come, and the fervent hope that it will not."

That message, which comes from Brussels, might be said of any nation confronted with the dire prospect of another world war, but it may be of more significance among a people who have been fed for years upon the glories of war and been taught to look forward to it with joyful anticipation.

The food question is perhaps one of the chief causes of this reported depression. The last war was well on its way before food shortage began to make itself felt in Germany.

On this occasion shortage began even when war seemed to be on the distant horizon.

In a remarkable book, "Germany's War Chances," written a few weeks ago by a Hungarian Professor of Constitutional Law, and banned after its contents had become public property, this passage occurs: "Long before the beginning of the struggle restrictions on all sorts of foodstuffs have already been introduced. Although the masses of the German people are not starving yet in the strict sense of the word, it is none the less true that there can be no talk of their being sufficiently fed."

Such reports, and all other reports of a like nature, should be read with the utmost caution and with a liberal discount. But they need not be ignored altogether.

# G. WARD PRICE

—whose articles in the London "Daily Mail" on Nazi Germany below-the-surface are arousing exceptional interest throughout the United Kingdom—tells you to-day of the smouldering rivalries between the Nazi Party leaders and the heads of the German Army.

## Nazi leaders and Army Generals seldom quite agree

IN peace time high German officers have spoken to me of defects in their armed forces. It may, of course, have been their aim to allay the suspicions of a visiting newspaper correspondent as to the use that Germany might ultimately make of them—but there are common-sense reasons for believing that what they said was true.

"What we lack are efficient officers of field rank and experienced N.C.O.s," they told me. "We have excellent generals who learnt their business in the last war. The captains and subalterns are hardworking and high-spirited."

"But there is a serious shortage of which it will take years to make up," said one of the senior colonels, "and the fact that for the first 15 years after the war the Reichswehr was limited to 100,000 men, and the type of man who would normally have become an officer and risen to field rank went into civilian life instead."

### Secret Contempt

GERMANY'S armed forces have done two years' service with the colours, and those who were too old to be conscripted have been repeatedly called up for spells of training of six weeks or two months. This experience is not as much as the German General Staff would like for men who have to face soldiers with the unbroken military traditions of the French.

Moreover, during those four years the Army has not been a happy family. The officers have had to put up with many slights from Party bosses, for whom these old German Army, at any rate, feel a secret contempt.

I shall never forget the Nuremberg Party Congress of 1935. A special meeting of the Reichstag was summoned there, and all the senior generals and admirals attended. They sat to one side on the ground floor, I was in a gallery overlooking them.

Goering, as President of the Reichstag, announced that all the standards of the armed forces were to be changed. The old black, white, and red flag with the Iron Cross was to be replaced by the Nazi flag.

The Fuehrer has pulled the old flag out of the mud into which it had fallen," said Goering with dangerous eloquence. "It is now to be replaced by the Swastika, which is the symbol of the fighting spirit that will rebuild Germany."

The words shocked even me. I have lived in a Prussian military family and know what their flag meant to them—the flag that flowed victoriously at Konigsgratz and was carried triumphantly to Paris in 1870.

I looked at the hard, weather-beaten faces of those German Army commanders. If ever I saw lips tighten and eyes flash with indignation they were theirs. Gripping their sword-hilts, they sat staring straight in front of them as the Reichstag declared that the flag which embodied their honour as soldiers had "fallen into the mud."

What private protests the generals may have made, I do not know, but it is significant that when the new Service standards appeared two months later the old Iron Cross design was combined with and not replaced by the Swastika.

In the early days of national service German officers openly taught their recruits that the Army was a much older institution, with finer traditions, than the Party. Nazi influences were strictly kept outside barracks gates. Young Party bosses drafted for military service found themselves singled out for fatigues and snubs.

### Refused to Sing

HOW often have I watched big Party functions—always standing together—a fine-looking, impressive, reserved group, avoiding all the most formal of contact with the Nazi officials. When the two national anthems were sung at the end of the ceremony you would see them join in Deutschland uber Alles, but their lips stayed firmly shut for the Horst Wessel Lied, the Party song that followed.

"It must be a great advantage for you," I said once to a regimental officer, "that all your recruits have previously served in the Storm Troopers or the S.S. They will, at any rate, have learnt barrack-square discipline."

"Advantage!" he exclaimed. "It's the very thing we disapprove of most. These young fellows have been given such a big conceit of themselves in the Party formations that they think they know everything."

Since the big Army purge in February last year, when 15 generals were dismissed, the Party has completely penetrated the Army. All troops have had to attend three political lectures a week, and officers have been restricted to giving technical instruction. The soldiers, after completing their service, now return automatically to the ranks of the Storm Troopers.

### Not Enough Pilots

IN the German Air Force the short space of time available for building up esprit de corps is not so serious a handicap. Air fighting calls for more individual initiative, and the German flying men have been put through a hard school. Training casualties are enormous, but no statistics of them have appeared.

Whereas originally the German Air Force was staffed by officers who volunteered for it, the system of appointment by order has been substituted.

I was told in Germany last spring that the production of aeroplanes was actually being slowed down because the Air Force was not able to produce enough pilots to fly modern high-speed machines.

One wonders, too, how the "corps-like obedience theory" will work in war. The first principle of the Nazi creed being that "The Fuehrer is always right," it has been assumed that the minor Fuehrers, each in his degree, are also infallible. Splendidly though German organization works on normal occasions, it is never at its best in an emergency.

### A Weakness

THERE is a new weapon in this war whose muzzle reaches into all our homes. The wireless broadsheets of the German Propaganda Ministry can be heard on the ether every evening, and so far no anti-german precautions have been found necessary to deal with them in this country.

For if there is one weakness in the German character—which has many admirable qualities—it is congenital ignorance of the psychology of other nations.

On Tuesday night I heard roars of laughter coming from the Daily Mail wireless room.

They were repeated so often that I went to inquire what the joke was. I found four or five people listening to the English broadcast from Berlin, which was followed by an American expressing his profound admiration of the fact that it was still possible to get a drink in Germany.

To a German the British character and the way to make an impression on it will always remain a mystery.

### News-by Order

FOR purposes of internal propaganda the wireless is the principal instrument of the German Government, Reichsleiter Goebbels, the energetic young man who is in charge, still by Dr. Goebbels, of the German Broadcasting system, has done his work well.

Every large town in Germany has wireless loud speakers on the lamp-posts; every restaurant and beer-house is almost compelled to keep its set constantly turned on, and cheap home-receivers have been provided at a price within the scope of the poorest, so that the official news supplied by the Deutsches Nachrichten Bureau is sure of instant transmission to the great majority of the nation.

Yet all Germany knows that nothing unfavourable to the Government would be communicated.

Even under normal conditions, every foreigner who talks to Germans detects an uneasy eagerness to hear the facts about many matters that have been the subject of extensive treatment by the German wireless stations.

### What About the Future

It is not the ex-soldier's way to cry over spilt milk. What has happened is accomplished history. But what of the future? If the whole wretched business "has to be done over again, will the sequel still be the same? We do not hear so much now, in the light of present events, from those dear souls who told us it was all rubbish about Germany being responsible for the Great War.

And what about the paratroopers? It is impossible to keep a great nation down? We do not hear so much now, in the light of present events, from those dear souls who told us it was all rubbish about Germany being responsible for the Great War.

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# Not Ours to Reason Why!

HOW amusing it is now to recall the almost frenzied ecstasies of relief with which we acclaimed Armistice Day, 1918. The news seemed too good to be true. After nearly five years of desperate fighting, of ruinous expenditure, and tragic slaughter, which meant the total eclipse of all normal happy peaceful life, the interminable horrors of the Great War were over.

All hints were in the air then. Every face wore a smile of inexpressible tranquil relief. The sun was no longer a goblin. Slides were blue again. A malevolent spell had been suddenly lifted from mankind, and the mandatory matter of cannon no longer heaved men's hearts and hurls in daily and nightly thrills. The troubled world had known nothing like it since the dove brought back to Father Noah that olive branch which meant that God's wrath was appeased.

Incidentally these sensations of infinite heavenly relief were shared not least in Germany. For in that country the full tide of disastrous war was swiftly avalanching back on its own homesteads. To all Germans it was starkly evident that the hour of dreadful retribution was at hand. The field grey legions, who had marched forth so proudly and confidently four and a half years earlier, and had held the miseries of war at arm's length from the Fatherland, were in full retreat along the whole Western Front.

### Foch Calls Their Bluff

How great and genuine was the relief of Armistice Day to Germany only those quite understand who saw the German peace envoys as they waited on Foch in his corridor train in the wood. They were no longer the arrogant swashbuckling Junkers of gay August, 1914. They were pale-faced, haggard with fear, and stamped their feet with impatience as the Allied Generalissimo quietly prepared to receive them. Their illustrious War Lord, Ludendorff himself, had bidden them lose not one instant of precious time.

Germany's stupendous military machine was jangling to ruins about their ears. The pickled sauce on the festive brink of a frightful sauer put. Even then the Prussian mentality remained constant to its jackboot tradition. Though they were biting their nails with suspense, they bluffed.

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### The Gangsters Again

That was twenty-one years ago next November. Less than a generation ago. Judging by the astounding circumstances of to-day it might well have been a century. For what a contrast presents itself to Europe's pallid face at this moment. Germany, doubly rearmament and with the old arrogant, dominating spirit of "Deutschland uber Alles" tuned to a yet more strident and caudal note, is no longer humbly suing for peace, but menacing the whole Continent with another ruinous holocaust of battle and bloody massacre. The old wicked Prussian policy of ransom is once more being addressed to Germany's neighbours on the approved Chicago gangster methods. Because the whole philosophy of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and Goebbels' gutter-brothel boils down simply to "Stick 'em up!"

This is a metamorphosis startling and incredible enough surely to make angels weep tears of blood. It took us nearly five years to draw the dragon teeth of Germany. But it was well and truly done. In 1918 we had Germany down and out. It cost us twice a thousand million pounds and over a million British dead, not to mention the ordeal of that long, squalid, verminous struggle in the mud and blood.

To-day we awake to the realization that all that appalling sacrifice has been made in vain. There are still with us some millions of those ex-Servicemen who did their manful bit in the Great War to end war. It might be a healthy experience for some politicians if they could hear what those men are saying about this great betrayal now. Hitler has fooled us to the top of our bent. He has bluffed us out of the deathright of all those illustrious soldier cemeteries of ours.

It would be egregiously presumptuous for anyone to pretend to speak for all ex-Servicemen. But there is not much doubt what the average man thinks and feels now. Who carried a pack and shouldered a rifle in one of our wars, that any politician, outside a lunatic asylum should have made such an utter and calamitous muddle of the opportunity presented to them in 1918.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"No—our trains don't have darkrooms, but by rerouting you here we can provide you with ample tunnels."



## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

### R.A.F. Machines Over Berlin

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A French communiqué states that a flight of R. A. F. planes flew successfully over Germany last night, passing over Hamburg and Berlin. It is believed that the cause of the closing down of the Hamburg Broadcasting Station in the middle of Herr von Ribbentrop's speech was an air raid warning.

## BLOCKADE THREAT USELESS

London, Oct. 25. Summing up the prospects of the German military blockade of Britain, the *Yorkshire Post's* military critic says that neutrals are not alarmed by the threats to treat their ships as enemies if they trade with Britain. They are well aware that our sea and air units are constantly watching enemy craft. Neutrals easily see through the German attempts to combine them in an international blockade. As Germany does not pay cash, they will soon have had budgetary difficulties. Germany's recent losses in submarines and aircraft are not helpful to the policy of attacking Britain with these arms. The Turkish Pact operates on the sea against Germany. Neither Russia, Japan, Turkey nor Italy has listened to the German blandishments. The Mediterranean has never been so strongly held by the Allies, while the Egyptian army has been re-equipped, reorganised and supported by the British, and the Indian troops have become a new instrument in the Far East.—Reuter.

## OBITUARY

### Twice President Of Switzerland

Zurich, Oct. 16. Dr. Robert Haab, famous Swiss statesman and former President, died here to-day at the age of 74.—Associated Press. Dr. Haab contributed as much to the national life of Switzerland as any man of his time. When he was 29 he was chosen Mayor of his native city, Lucerne, and since then was continuously in the service of the people in State and governmental posts. His service in the Canton of Zurich included membership on the Supreme Court, in the Council of State, where he directed the Departments of Justice and Public Works and as representative of the canton in the district council of the Swiss Federal Railways. From the last-named position, Dr. Haab advanced into the service of the Federal Government as a Director of the Swiss Federal Railways, became diplomatic representative of his country at Berlin in 1917, and in December of that year was elected to the Federal Council, the executive power in Switzerland, which twice chose him President of the country.

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### Whittaker-Willcocks

## BRILLIANT WEDDING AT THE CATHEDRAL

St. John's Cathedral was the scene of a brilliant wedding yesterday evening when Lieut. John Gordon Whittaker, R.A., married Miss Wendy Winifred Willcock.

The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of the Cathedral, officiated. His Excellency the Governor was represented by his Aide-de-Camp, Captain S. H. Batt-Smith, at the ceremony, and later at the reception, which was held in the Hongkong Club Annex.

The bride is the daughter of Major J. L. Willcocks, M.C., late The Black Watch, Commissioner of Prisons, Hongkong, and Mrs. Willcocks, and the granddaughter of the late General Sir James Willcocks, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., M.C.S.I., D.S.O.

Arriving at the church on the arm of her father, by whom she was given away, the bride wore an exquisite gown of ivory and gold brocade with train to match. Her ivory tulle veil floated from an ivory and gold halo, and she carried a bouquet of white gladioli.

The bridegroom is the only son of Lieut. Col. John Whittaker, of Shaw Hill, Chorley, Lancashire, and Mrs. Whittaker of Dean's Orchard, Merce, Wills. The wedding took place at the ceremony in a pastel pink lace truck over a foundation of black, and carried a bouquet of roses.

Lieut. K. I. M. Buchanan, of the Royal Scots, undertook the duties of

## GERMANS DISMAYED BY POSSIBILITY OF A LONG WAR

Allied and neutral commentators see in Herr Ribbentrop's speech another attempt to split the Franco-British front, and at the same time the threat of early military activity on a large scale owing to the inability of the Reich leaders to keep Germany under war conditions and a huge army under arms for an indefinite period.

Amsterdam, Oct. 25. Because they had been assured by the Nazi leaders that peace was possible on the conclusion of the Polish campaign, Herr von Ribbentrop's speech was a great shock to the German people, state neutral observers here.

Information received shows that the German public clung desperately to the hope that even at the last moment Hitler would avoid war. The natural fears of the consequences of the war have been increased by stories of the horrors of modern warfare related by hundreds of thousands of soldiers on their return from the Polish battlefields. The developments which are expected to follow Herr von Ribbentrop's speech are therefore awaited with the deepest anxiety.

The Press prints the speech without comment.—Reuter.

### British Comment

London, Oct. 24. The *Daily Mail* remarks that Herr von Ribbentrop's speech is a masterpiece of duplicity. The world has been given another farago of distortions, half truths and untruths. The *New Chronicle* comments that nothing in the speech weakens the charge of sabotage of peace hopes held against the Nazis.—Reuter.

### May Presage Attack

London, Oct. 25. Herr von Ribbentrop's speech has set military critics speculating on the possibility of a German offensive. Despite the rain, which appears likely to continue, flooded rivers and water-logged ground, an offensive is considered to be still feasible. It is observed that the Nazis are highly strung, impatient and confident, and the German people are not accustomed to hesitancy on Hitler's part. It is also believed that the German generals cannot keep vast masses of men now gathered at the Siegfried Line indefinitely concentrated in so small a space, and must fight or withdraw.

M. Charles Morice in *Le Petit Parisien* says that the British are engaging the enemy with marvellous new fighter planes which are far superior to the Messerschmitts.—Reuter.

### Not Impressed

Paris, Oct. 25. A semi-official commentary on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech says: "The need is apparently felt to galvanise German opinion by giving it the precise object of hate—Britain. Herr Hitler attributes to Britain all the ambition and perjuries which the world, doubtless misinformed, attributes to Germany. By this Herr von Ribbentrop 'unintentionally' pays the most magnificent tribute to British power."

As for France, the theme developed is that used most often by German propaganda. Germany desires to separate France's cause from Britain's. Herr von Ribbentrop does not yet seem to have noticed that the military effort of Britain and France as well as the reaction of the two countries to public opinion on the methods and objectives of Hitlerite Germany are completely identical.—Reuter.

### Press Reactions Agree

Paris, Oct. 25. In commenting on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech, the Press considers it is for internal consumption and that it reveals the utter confusion of the Nazi leaders. Emphasis is laid on the clumsy effort to separate France and Britain. It is pointed out that Herr von Ribbentrop has failed in advance.

*Le Petit Parisien* says that Hitler's mouthpiece made an exaggerated attempt to refute Mr. Chamberlain's accusation of perjury against Hitler, but it has not succeeded in the least.

*Pertinax*, writing in *L'Ordre*, recalls that Germany had always tried to split France and Britain and says that Herr von Ribbentrop takes the French for idiots.

*Le Petit Journal* refers to the "fight to a finish" declaration and says that for once Herr von Ribbentrop agrees with Britain and France, but there is one little difference—there is no bluffing in our statement that we shall see it through.—Reuter.

### American Reaction

New York, Oct. 24. The *New York Times* says: "Too obviously and too clumsily Ribbentrop attempts to segregate Great Britain from all other Powers as the only enemy... When it is remembered that it was Ribbentrop who convinced Hitler that the British would never fight, this distribe against their ally is a curious confession of his own tragic mistake.—Reuter."

### Danish Opinion

Copenhagen, Oct. 25. The *National Tidende* surmises that Herr von Ribbentrop's speech shows that the attack which will follow shortly will be directed against Britain and the Empire only.—Reuter.

## THREAT OF SABOTAGE

### Guard On Queen Mary And Normandie Doubled

New York, Oct. 25. The guards on the Hudson River berths of the Queen Mary and Normandie were doubled last night following reports to the police that one of the ships would be sabotaged in the next few days, says the *New York Times*.

The Cunard White Star Line reports that information to this effect in possession of the Navy Intelligence Department.

Motorists have been forbidden to halt by the liners, which are lying side by side. Pedestrian sight-seers are forced to stay on the other side of the street.—Reuter.

### Raised False Flag

Manzanillo, Mexico, Oct. 24.—The German steamship *Havelland* arrived to-day with a cargo of Philippine sugar, copra, and coconut oil, seeking its transshipment to an American vessel for delivery to Galveston, New Orleans, and other North Atlantic ports.

The U.S.S. gunboat *Essex*, of the Special Service Squadron, also arrived on a courtesy visit soon after the *Havelland*.

It is reported that, by coincidence, the *Essex* met the *Havelland* near Oaxaca and that after the customary exchange of salutes, the *Havelland* raised the Netherlands flag. The United States gunboat, asked her to raise her real flag; whereupon the *Havelland* raised the Nazi banner.—United Press.

### Argentine Warned

Buenos Aires, Oct. 24. The German Ambassador to-day delivered a note to the Argentine Foreign Minister stressing the danger to citizens of neutral countries of trading with British or French merchant ships. The note also admonished neutral vessels to abstain from suspicious activities.—United Press.

## Poison Gas Query

### Britain Did Not Send Supplies To Poland

London, Oct. 25. Mr. Arthur Henderson asked the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day whether, in view of the repeated official German allegations that gas was supplied to the Polish Government by the British Government, he could make a statement on the matter.

Mr. Chamberlain reminded Mr. Henderson that the War Minister has already made a most explicit denial to be made to "this impudent and transparent falsehood."

"I am glad of the opportunity of stating categorically once more that poison gas has never been supplied by this country to Poland in any form," the Premier added.

Mr. Henderson: Is it the Government's view that these allegations constitute propaganda to justify the use of gas by the Germans themselves?

Mr. Chamberlain: We have known similar infamies in the past. (Laughter).—Reuter.

## CANTON HAS BECOME A CITY OF CASINOS

Conditions in Canton to-day are described in a letter from a Canton resident who writes as follows:

Canton has become a city of casinos with amusement houses all over the district. Fan-tan gambling has resumed its popularity. As a franchise with a daily payment of no less than \$1,400, the gambling business has been monopolised from September last by the Kwong Fok Kung She, a syndicate under the management of a Mr. Kan with headquarters at 109 Tin Shing Road. The city is divided into twelve districts and in each district a certain number of Fan-tan houses are established with permission of the Japanese. In addition to the 50 in operation, some 30 more are under organisation. The Chinese authorities, however, in recent writs have strengthened the ban on gambling in all unoccupied districts.

### America And Japan

## Admiral Nomura to See Mr. J. C. Grew "Soon"

Tokyo, Oct. 25. Asked by an American correspondent when the Foreign Minister Admiral Nomura would receive Mr. J. C. Grew, the American Ambassador, the spokesman of the Foreign Office replied, "Very soon."

The spokesman categorically denied the reports that Americans are moving to prevent possible rapprochement between Japan and the Soviet Union or that some members of the Japanese Cabinet are opposed to Soviet-Japan rapprochement in a hope to satisfy America.—Domes.

### Hindrance To Japan

Shanghai, Oct. 25. The Japanese Army's organ *Sin Shun Pao* said that the attitude of the United States is beside the question and that it is the greatest hindrance to a solution of the situation, wherefore the Japanese authorities have decided to "remove this hindrance" to enable the establishment of a new order.—United Press.

### For A Settlement

Shanghai, Oct. 25. It is announced that Mr. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and

## CHUNGKING RAIDED BY JAPANESE

Chungking, Oct. 25. After a fortnight's quiet, Japanese aircraft resumed raiding the Szechuen cities last night when two groups of planes raided the cities in east and west Szechuen, keeping the Chungking populace in dugouts almost six hours.

The alarm was sounded here at 7.15 p.m. when the first group of Japanese aircraft was sighted heading up-river from Hankow. After raiding the Szechuen border, the raiders divided into two squadrons, one bombing Wushan, of the famous Yangtse Gorges fame, while the other bombed Fengtash, west of Wushan. Five minutes after the alarm was again given when a second group of Japanese bombers was sighted heading towards Chungking from Hankow along the Yangtse River.

### Bad Weather Encountered

The raiders then headed for Chengtu, in Nanchang (Shunching) and Suining. Although they approached Chengtu, the Japanese bombers apparently failed to locate their objective owing to bad weather.

After circling for some time in the vicinity of Chengtu, the raiders split into two squadrons. One squadron bombed Suining on the highway east of Chengtu, while the other turned back via Chungking. Although Chinese pursuit planes took off and cruised over Chungking during the visit of Japanese machines, no aerial engagements took place as the raiders did not come within the city limits.—Reuter.

### Mid-day Alarm

Chungking, Oct. 25. Another alarm was given shortly before noon to-day when nine Japanese bombers were sighted approaching the Szechuen border. The raiders were reported to have only circled over the eastern districts and then turned back, apparently owing to poor visibility. The alarm was lifted at 1 p.m.—United Press.

### CHINESE AIR FORCE

Number of Planes Said To Be Increasing

Tokyo, Oct. 25. The Chungking Government is making desperate efforts to build up a new air force after its original force was virtually wiped out by the Japanese air forces during the past hostilities, according to information reaching here.

The report estimates that at present the Chinese air force includes three squadrons of bombers and four squadrons of fighting planes, in addition to four squadrons of heavy bombers and one squadron of bi-plane fighters.

At the end of September the Chinese air force comprised 340 military planes, including 110 light bombers, 100 bi-plane fighters, 20 scouting planes, and 20 heavy bombers. In addition, there were 250 training planes and about a dozen transport planes.—Domes.



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# Exclusive Pictures of Fatshan Rescues

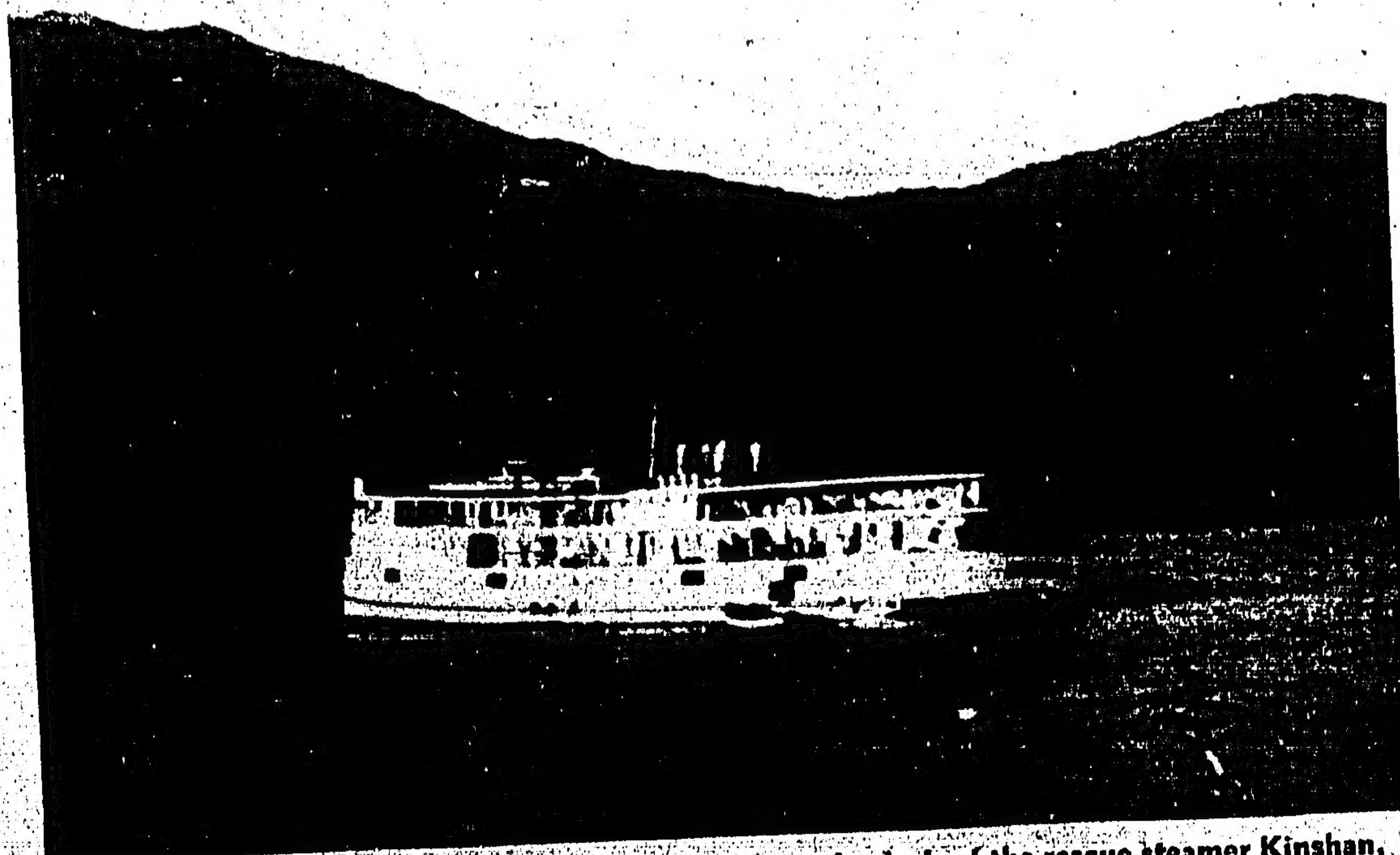


PASSENGERS ON THE DECK of the Fatshan, ready for any emergency as the ship rushes to beach on Lin Tin Island. The passengers were, as shown in the photograph, all lifebelted until the danger was past.

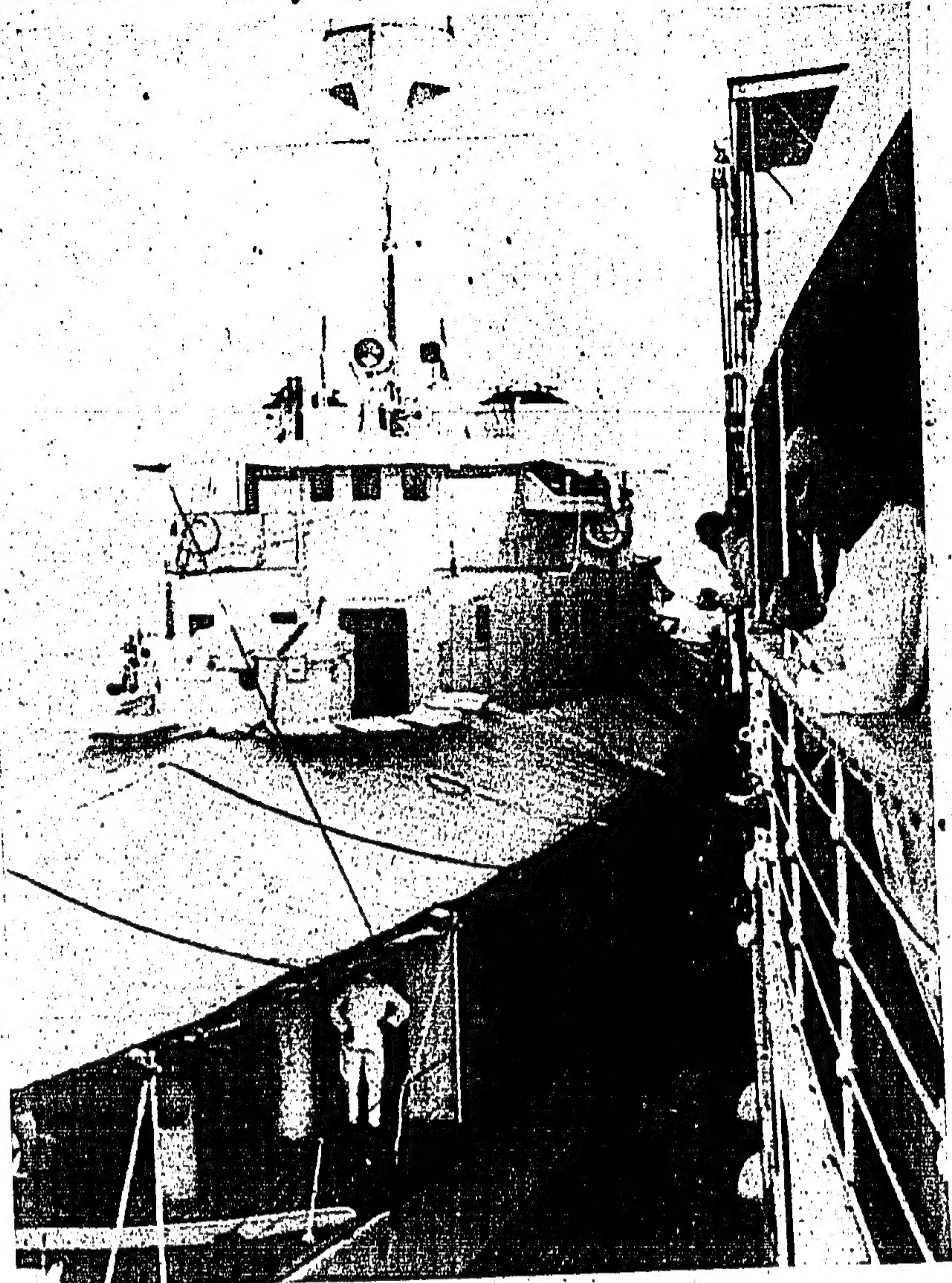


PREPARING to lower one of the Fatshan's lifeboats. The aid given by the Royal Navy rendered it unnecessary to use the lifeboats.

ONE OF THE PASSENGERS aboard the Fatshan was Mrs. G. F. Hole, wife of the Hongkong Harbour Master. Mrs. Hole is shown here with her lifebelt strapped on.



THE GROUNDING FATSHAN photographed from the deck of the rescue steamer Kinshan, to whom passengers were transferred by a British gunboat. It is stated that there was six feet of water in the holds of the Fatshan when she was beached.



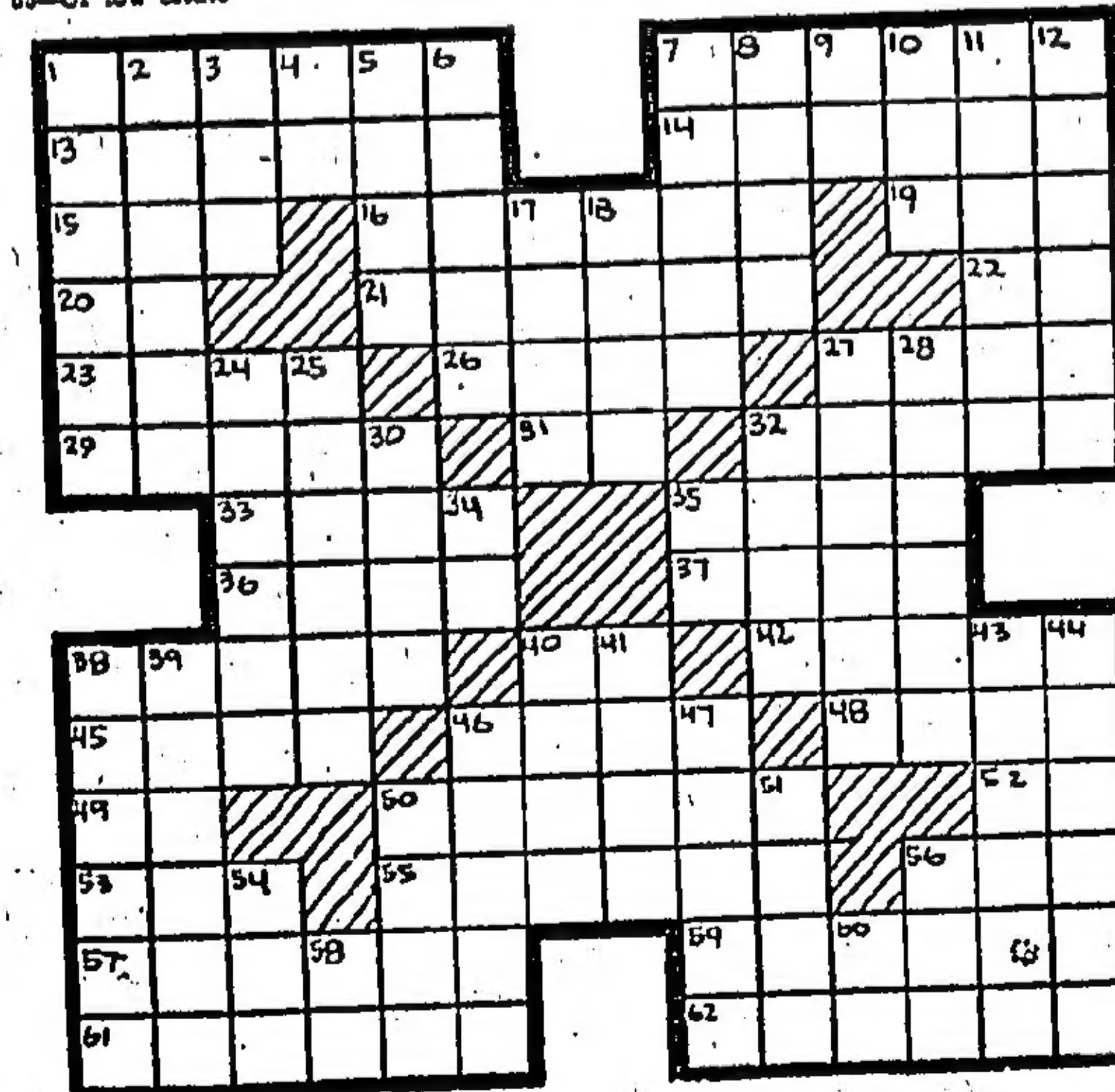
A BRITISH GUNBOAT coming alongside the Fatshan to take off the passengers aboard the stranded steamer. Magnificent work was done by the Navy in transferring the 1,800 people aboard the Fatshan to the Kinshan, without a single mishap.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS	DOWN
1-Complainer	1-Danish district
2-Word of honor	2-North Nile
3-Battle fleet	3-Islands
4-Fixer	4-Kind of talent
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15-Fish on shore	15-Former first name
16-Cry out cheerfully	16-Make use of
17-Western state	17-Used covering
18-Relative word	18-True skin
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20-Nucleus of egg	20-Asian nomad
21-Aid	21-Hardens
22-Battle-ship	22-Transfers liquid
23-Undressed state	23-Lies at ease
24-Cast ball	24-Ancient of Demites
25-Skin of fruit	25-Cry
26-Chair	26-Pus
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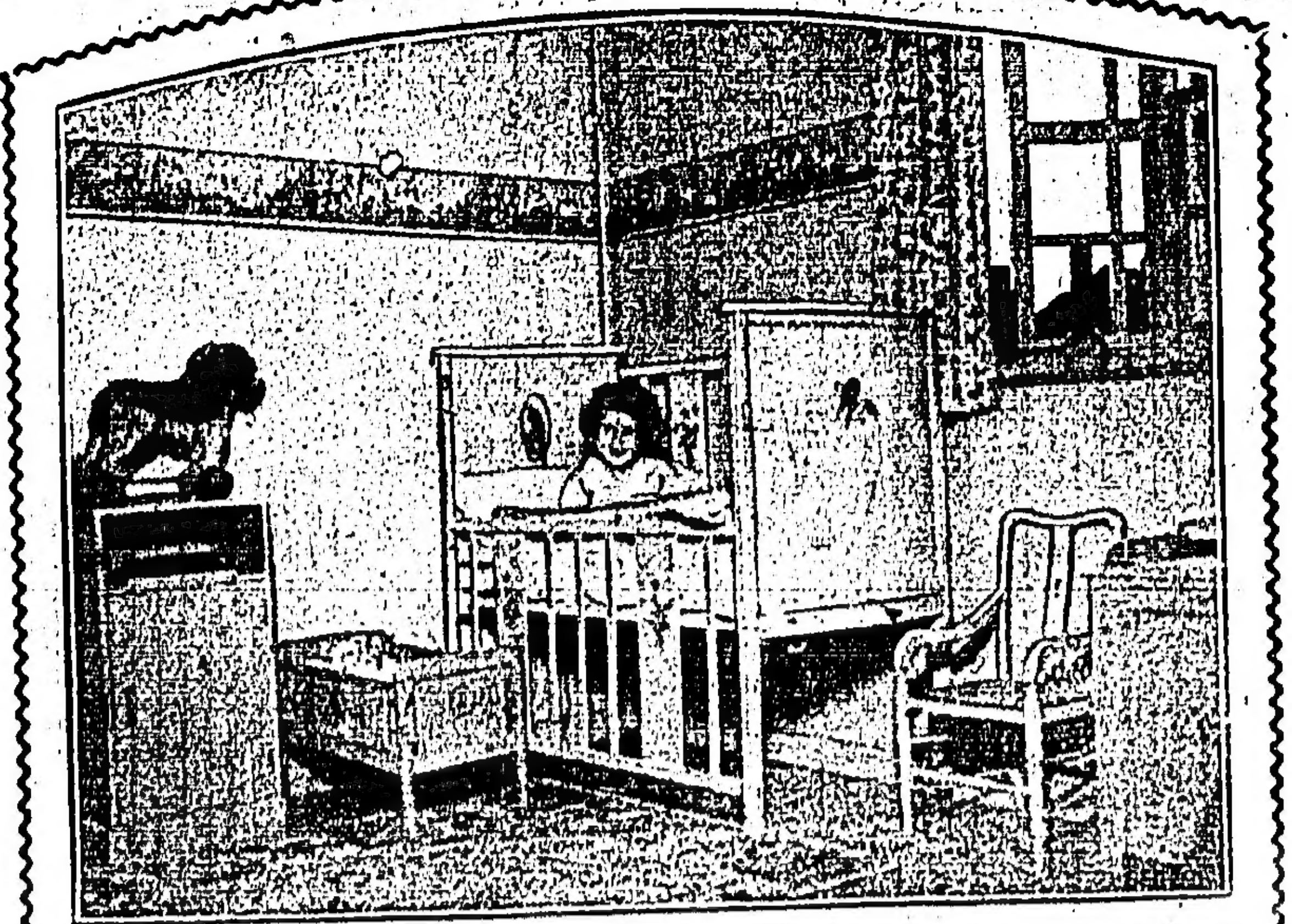
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## Some Supper Dishes

HERE are two tested recipes for that cold meal in the evening—high tea or supper.

Both of these can easily be made in the cool of the morning.

### Veal and Ham Loaf

Take 1/2 lb. lean veal, 2 oz. lean ham, 1/4 lb. sausage meat, 2 oz. white bread crumbs, 1 egg, milk, seasoning, ground cloves, 2 hard-boiled eggs—beetroot, parsley.

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Flake down a 1/2 lb. tin salmon and mix with 2 oz. breadcrumbs and 3 teaspoons chopped parsley. Season with salt and pepper.

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Isobel



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This week I will attempt to help you if you are preparing for a baby and are anxious

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We are going to use the small bedroom over the hall as a nursery for baby. Can you suggest a colour scheme?

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## THOUGHTS IN A QUIET CORNER

by Minnie Palister

I AWAKENED in the morning feeling that the world was all wrong. Freak storms, thunder, and every kind of queer weather which our country sometimes indulges in, had made my head thundery too.

I thought of all the mean things that had been done to me right back to childhood days; I remembered all the times when I had been left with more than my share of worry and responsibility; all the stupid things I had done, and all the times when I had shirked duty and been selfish and shallow and not played up.

I got hotter and hotter, more and more soaked in self pity, more and more disgusted with myself and the world. Then I tumbled out of bed, and before I did anything else, I went out into the garden.

It is such a little one, but there were a few ripe berries to be picked, a few sticks to be put in to support the snapdragons. The earth steamed after the heavy thunder rain. In the morning sun, every leaf was glistening, the roses were still sweet.

Standing there I felt all the brooding thoughts slipping away, as the rain-drops were disappearing in the sun.

Into my mind came the picture of the first man walking with God in the days when the world was a garden, and wondered how many millions of people since then had met Him in a garden, and regained their sense of

values and been able to face life again. At holiday time there is extra bustle and rush, but all the year round these quiet times are needed if we are not to grow feverish and fretful.

People find them in different ways and places. Some find them in a quiet country church, others in their own room and "shut the door," others must climb to the mountain top or meet the wind on the open moor.

Others fly to the beds and borders with the weeds always waiting to be removed and the flowers bringing their message of beauty.

Often I find mine when I am washing dishes at the open window, or in the kitchen which looks out on the old church. It stands against the sky, a church with a Saxon foundation.

There, as I do one of the most satisfying jobs in the world, making things clean and bright again after their use, I find my fretting and fuming being washed away.

I am ready to begin another day, hoping that in it there will be at least some gold of help given and duty done. It doesn't matter where or when, somewhere, in some place, it must be the little lull, the quiet time, or the soul will shrivel and die.

## Time For Toasting

WHAT is your favourite toast? Sprinkle a little paprika over French toast. Sprinkle a little paprika over French toast.

French toast is worth trying. Beat up two eggs slightly, then add one cupful of milk and a cinnamon stick. Dip the bread quickly into this mixture and brown in butter on both sides. Many people like sugar or syrup with this toast.

A delicious savoury can be made by spreading potted ham on round pieces of buttered toast. Heap a little chopped chutney on the ham, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese, and brown for a few minutes in the oven.

Hungry people will ask for more! Kidneys on toast always please the menfolk. Instead of sheep kidneys, try using ox kidney. Cook gently under cover, a dessertspoonful of dry white wine, a generous pinch of dry mustard, salt, and pepper. Spread with a little chopped parsley and a suspicion of onions if you feel that the toast is piping hot.

With Lobster

If you have a small tin of lobster roasting on the under shelf, use it like this. Make a good white sauce, stirring it until it is perfectly smooth, then add the lobster meat. Conclude with a tablespoonful of lemon juice for flavouring, and serve on pieces of

toast.

Chocolate Apples

HERE is a reasonable sweet making a special appeal to children. Peel some large apples thinly, remove their cores, add a little sugar and bake in a slow oven till soft. Meanwhile, grate and melt two or three bars of cooking chocolate, adding a few drops of syrup from the apples. Bring nearly to the boil, stirring well, and pour over the apples in a shallow dish.

Serve very hot.

W. B.

COUNT THE "TELEGRAPHS" EVERYWHERE

## For Table Decoration

A DELIGHTFUL way to enhance your dinner table is to fold the table napkins into intriguing shapes such as water lilies, muffs, and fans. They are very simple to carry out, but great care must be taken or the napkin will become soiled.

The fun is a simple creation. First fold the napkin in four (longways), then fold it across the breadth, commencing at one end and folding from and to yourself in folds nearly two inches broad; hold the napkin firmly in the left hand with the end with the two doubled edges up; then with the right hand pull down the inside folds to make right-angles with the top. Turn the napkin in the hand and do the same with the inside folds on the other side. This makes two rows of points, one point coming between two others.

The fun looks best when placed upright in a tumbler.

To make the muff the napkin must be folded in four (square not cornerways); then place it with the four corners at the bottom. Roll up the corners one after the other until you have four rolls, the first of which must come just beyond the middle. Now fold the two sides under and turn the napkin round like a muff, tucking the point under the rolls.

For the water lily you fold the corners of the napkin into the centre four times in all. All you have to do then is to pull back the corners a little bit and pull up the petals.

K. J.

White Angel Cake

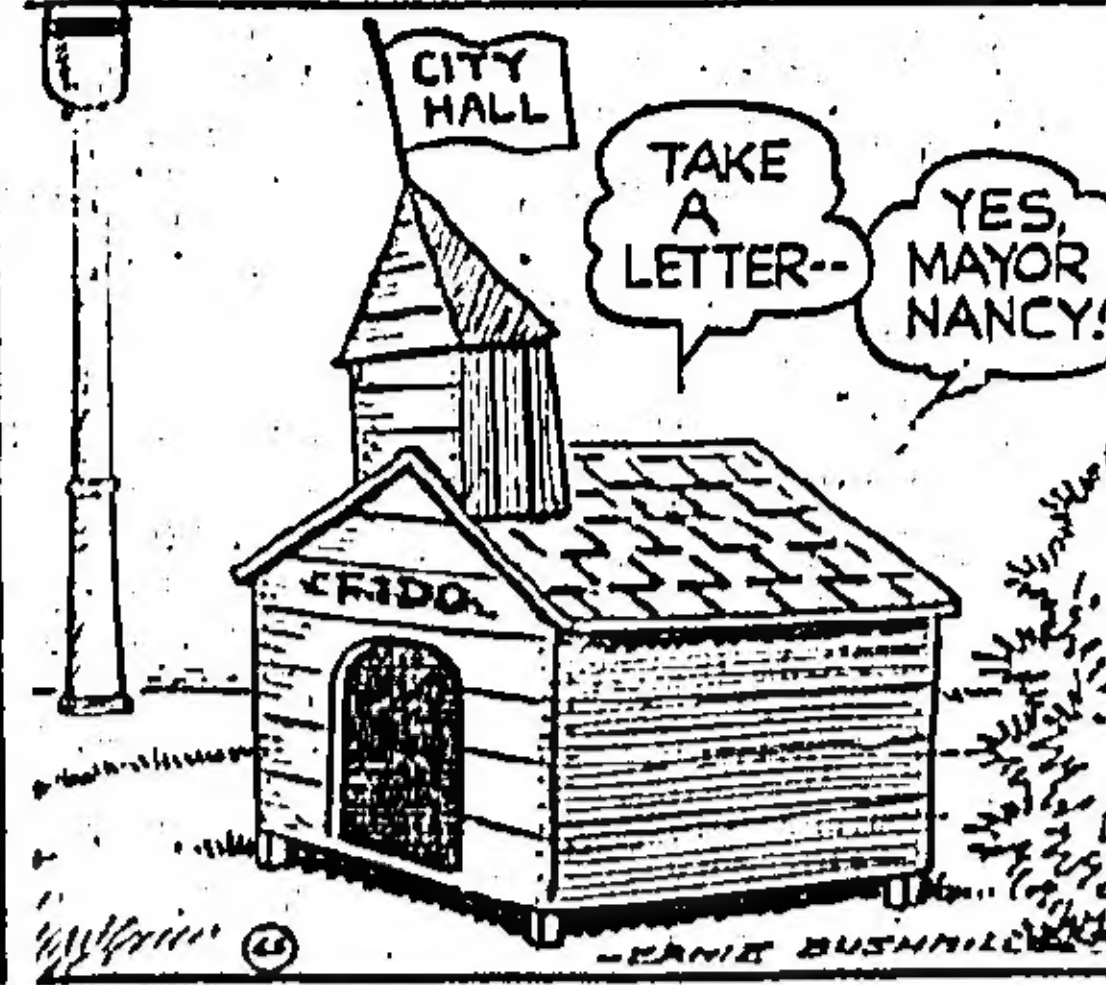
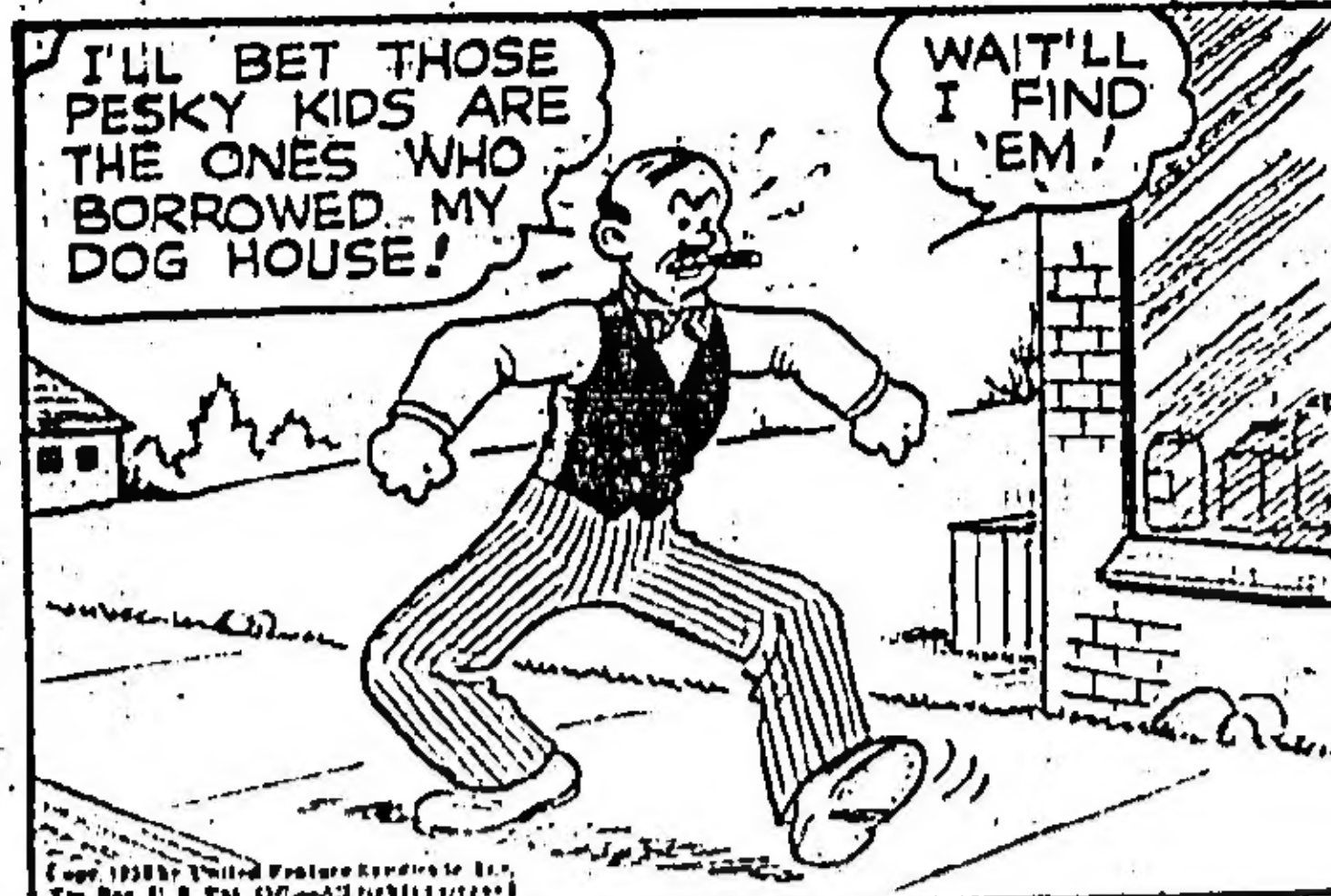
THIS is a good recipe to try when you have egg-whites left over.

Beat two ounces of butter to a cream with four ounces of caster sugar. Stir in a gill of milk by degrees, and keep stirring until the mixture is smooth. Then fold in five ounces of flour, sifted with a teaspoonful of baking powder and a pinch of salt, two ounces of finely-chopped peel, a teaspoonful of caraway seeds (if liked), and last, two stiffly-whisked whites of egg.

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# NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## Stalin Compared With Ivan The Terrible

Anti-Aircraft Gunners

A BITTER attack, in the form of a biography, on Stalin—according to the author, "wielder of a dictatorial power unparalleled in the world and unprecedented in history"—has appeared from the pen of a former member of the Executive of the Communist International, Boris Souvarine.

The purpose of this book, "Stalin" (Secker and Warburg, 15s), is to show that, far from being the upholder of the Lenin tradition, Stalin is the creator of an unprincipled semi-oriental despotism which he maintains by murders, betrayals and assassinations. Lenin himself, it is stated, severed all relations with Stalin in the last letter he ever wrote.

No opportunity of discrediting Stalin's revolutionary past is lost. It is even suggested that he betrayed his comrades to the police.

Of more immediate interest than the long and dreary catalogue of intrigue and violence which makes up 600 pages of the book is the author's estimate of Stalin's present strength and policy.

The periodic mass-executions and arrests, Mr. Souvarine declares, are patly designed to divert blame for



German anti-aircraft gunners watch the sky, fearing bombing raids from the enemy. This picture shows German anti-aircraft gunners firing in a harbour "Somewhere in Germany"—name deleted by censor.

### Marksmen All

A CAMPAIGN to teach all civilians, men and women, how to use a rifle is being launched by the Society of Military Rifle Clubs, governing body of the sport of small-bore rifle shooting.

In an appeal to their 2,500 clubs to keep going, the society impress upon them that their work in teaching the art of shooting is more than ever of national importance.

the wholesale disappointments of the regime. He compares them with those of Ivan the Terrible.

### FIVE-YEAR PLAN FAILURE

The industrial structure is declared to be unworkable, even model factories producing 50 per cent failures. Productivity of industrial labour is estimated at one-fifth that of the great industrial countries, while agriculture produces less than in 1913.

"Millions of hours of unpaid labour, and the sacrifice of millions of lives" are needed to make up the annual deficit.

Population increases, expected under the second Five-Year Plan, have not appeared, and the results of the census have been suppressed, together with the officials responsible for it. M. Souvarine estimates that at the end of 1938, Russia had lost a population equivalent to that of Poland.

Stalin, according to the author has for some time considered that a general European war was his only hope of salvation. While regarding him as the leader of counter-revolution in Russia, M. Souvarine has failed, however, to envisage the possibility of a drawing together of Russia and Germany.

### Missing Survivor Of Athenia Found

GARFIELD, N. J.—William Kurilec tried in vain to keep back the tears when he greeted his wife, Mirrin, and young daughter, Anna, Athenia survivors who arrived at Hoboken on the City of Flint. His joy at seeing them for the first time since he visited his native Czechoslovakia six years ago, was not complete because his son, Jan, had been missing since the Athenia went down the night of Sept. 3.

The story told, the parents and Anna started for Garfield in the automobile of Michael Kudla, Mr. Kurilec's cousin and steamship agent.

Mr. Kudla stopped off at his Passaic office. A moment later he came rushing out breathless.

Mother and father couldn't believe what he told them: the Cunard White Star Line had informed him Jan had been picked up by a freighter and taken to Glasgow.

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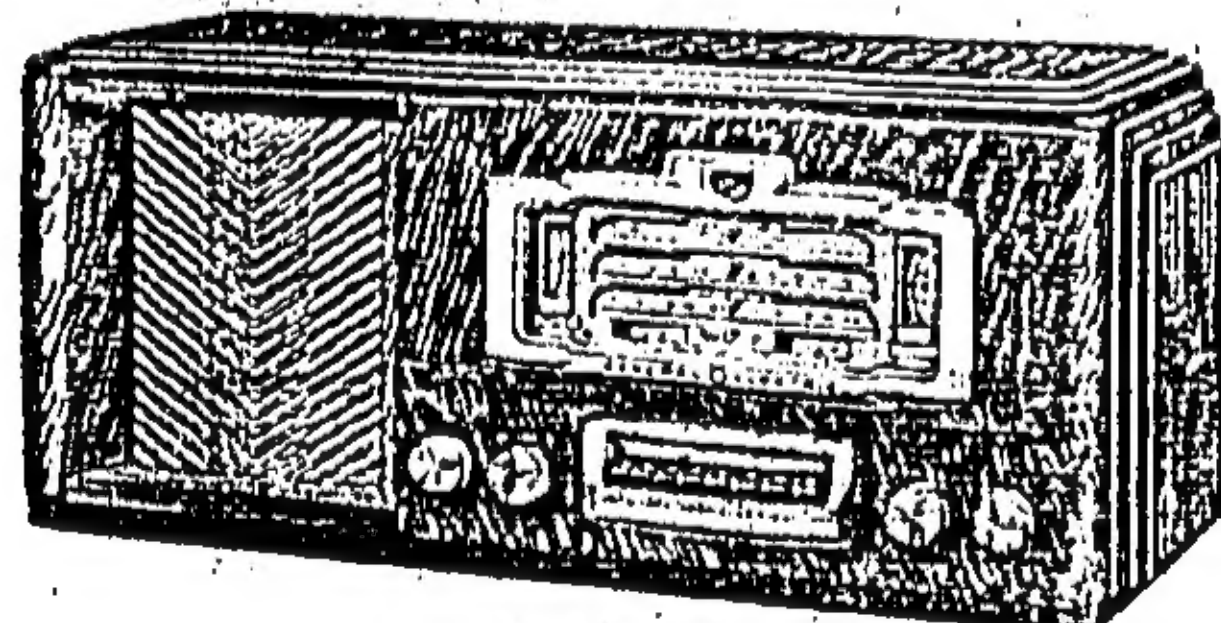
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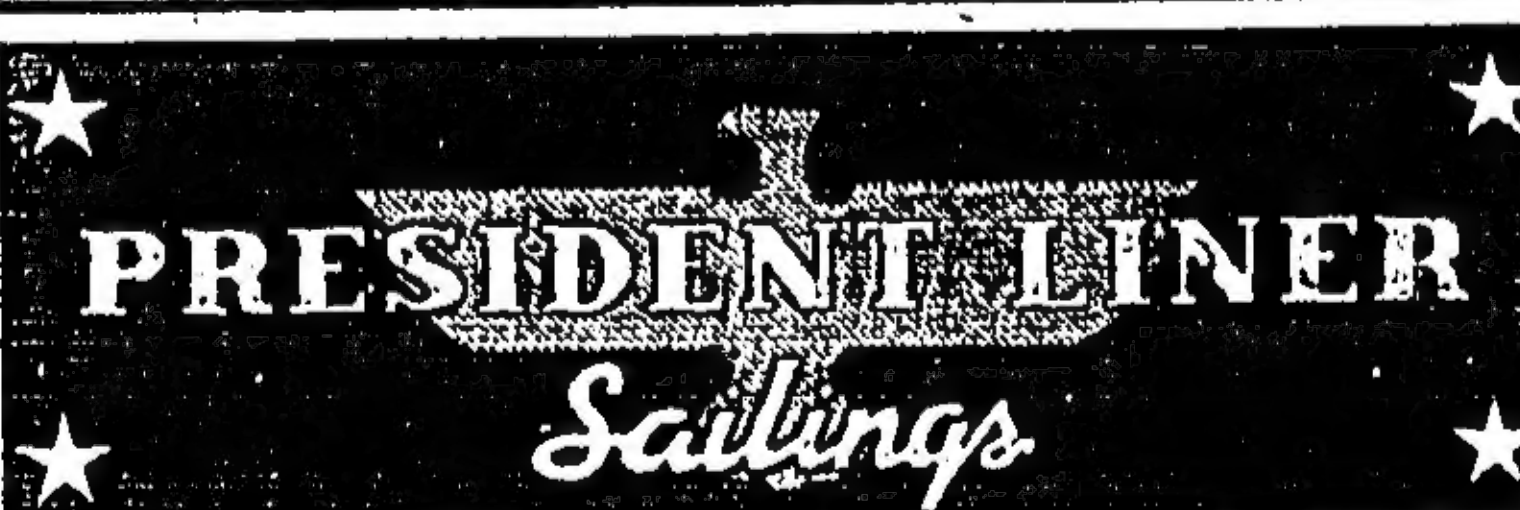
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### Austrian Workers Anti-Hitler

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A manifesto from Austrian workers declaring their determination to "make Hitler's war impossible" was read in the Paris radio's German language broadcast.  
 The manifesto declared that Austrian workers would sooner sacrifice themselves in the struggle against Hitler than fight on the side of their oppressor.

### BRITISH TRADE WITH RUSSIA

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in reply to a question that the possibility of following up the recent agreement with Russia for the exchange of timber against rubber and tin by themselves in the struggle against Hitler, than fight on the side of their oppressor.

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## Contraband System Criticised

### Dutch Shipowners Dissatisfied

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
 AMSTERDAM, Oct. 25 (UP).—Despite the British assurances that they would interfere as little as possible with neutral countries' shipments of food, Dutch shipowners are very dissatisfied with the way in which the British are applying their contraband control.  
 The shipowners charge that the British abuse their power by keeping Dutch ships sometimes for six weeks before allowing them to proceed.

#### 30 Ships Waiting

It is estimated here that an average of thirty Dutch merchant ships are kept waiting in the Downs for investigation.  
 One of the chief complaints of the owners is that the British contraband controllers are the military men who often do not have even an elementary knowledge of international shipping customs.  
 At the same time the owners have expressed confidence that the negotiations at present being carried on by a Dutch delegation in London may soon result in a more efficient British control system, since commercial circles here are convinced that Britain is anxious not to force Dutch business completely towards the Continent, which would mean that the greater part of it would go to Germany.

## Western Front News Scarce

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A communiqué says: "Our reconnaissance units and the enemy's have shown certain activity in the course of the day."

"We repulsed a German detachment in a region close to the Moselle."

#### Warrior Evacuation

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A semi-official French statement explains that when the French Army evacuated most of the Warlord Forest, they held on to the hilltops and crests marking its southern and southern-eastern boundaries.

Since the evacuation, the Germans have been trying to dislodge them. Elsewhere on the Western Front, there were raids and ambushes in which both sides tried to take prisoners.

## EMBARGO CAUSES BIG LOSSES TO U.S.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
 WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The State Department to-day disclosed that the imposition of the arms embargo nullified \$78,909,525 worth of arms export licences held by belligerent powers.  
 Of this total Britain held \$14,377,086, France \$39,418,113, and Australia \$5,078,700.

## UNITED STATES OF EUROPE TO FOLLOW WAR

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It was announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Government would bear in mind the suggestion of informing the German people that we would consider the formation of a United States of Europe after the war.

## Ministry Of Information

### Defended In House Of Lords' Debate

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Lord Camrose, speaking in the Ministry of Information debate in the House of Lords to-day said he had arranged with Lord MacMillan that he should no longer occupy an official position in the Ministry itself.  
 He added that the machinery was now in running order, and given a fair chance, he had no doubt that Lord MacMillan would make it function properly.

#### Lost Himself A Job

Lord Camrose added that as a result of the organisation, he managed to organise himself out of a job, but he would gladly give what assistance he could from outside.

Lord Middleton, initiating the debate, said that people seemed to have been brought into the Ministry almost haphazardly, and in referring to the total number of staff on October 8, described them as "eleven hundred incongruities."

Lord MacMillan, in reply, stated that as a result of a re-arrangement, headquarters staff had dispensed with 67 officials, with corresponding reduction in the auxiliary staff, representing a payroll of about £46,000 a year.

Lord MacMillan paid tribute to the work of Lord Camrose in assisting him, and he also referred to the desirability of obtaining more journalists in the publicity side of the Ministry's work.

#### Ministry's Work

He added that with all the work the Ministry was doing it was ridiculous to think that a manager and a couple of office boys were enough.

Lord MacMillan also revealed that the Blue Book on the origins of the war had reached 182 destinations in defence and attack, and in response to requests, arrangements were being made to ship it immediately to South Africa, India, Singapore, Australia and Canada.

## R.A.F. Casualties

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The seventh list of Royal Air Force casualties totals seven officers, and 25 other ranks, of whom 18 were killed and 14 are missing.

## Now Finland Knows

### Soviet Reveals Her Full Demands

HELSINKI, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Before leaving Moscow to return to Helsinki, M. Paasikivi, leader of the Finnish delegation, said they expected to be back in the Soviet capital next week.

Nothing has been revealed of the new Soviet proposals, but the newspaper of the Finnish Foreign Minister says: "Now for the first time the Soviet has made its precise demands known."

#### No Compromising

The journal hints that these demands include a mutual assistance pact and comments that such a pact would strengthen Russia more than Finland.

The spokesman of the Finnish Government stated: "If a political agreement is in prospect, it will not be possible to leave the Diet out of the agreement. We will make no concessions which the people of Finland will not acknowledge, nor will we compromise Finnish neutrality or sovereignty."

## DEAF AND DUMB Annual Demonstration At Heep Yunn School

Many attended the Annual Demonstration of the Heep Yunn School for the Deaf and Dumb in the great hall of the Heep Yunn School yesterday. Those present included members of the Fellowship of Youth, members of the Women's Fellowship of St. Andrew's Church, and other organisations.

The demonstration comprised various drills provided by the Higher and Lower Primary classes; conversation by lip-reading between two pupils; and a demonstration of "acting activities."

At the conclusion of the demonstration, Madame C. C. Wu distributed the certificates, followed by a short report given by Miss L. W. Li, principal of the school.

Miss Li said: "It is a great pleasure to welcome you here this afternoon. We are very grateful to the Principal of Heep Yunn School for lending us the Hall for this occasion. We are honoured by having Madame C. C. Wu to distribute the certificates to our first graduates. This year we have three children graduating from Lower Primary and two from Higher Primary. We are sending our two senior graduates to learn printing in the Memorial Press, and one of the Lower Primary graduates to learn leather work in his father's shop."

"We try to train our pupils to be useful members of society. We do hope you will help us by employing them. Handwork is another way to help the children."

"During the year the number of pupils has increased. There were 37 pupils last term, 30 boarders, and seven day pupils, one child from the Po Leung Kuei, and two from the Ma Tau Chung Refugee Camps."

## PORTUGAL'S REVIVAL

### Work of Dr. Salazar Praised Again

An interesting lecture on Dr. Salazar, the Portuguese Dictator, was given to a large gathering of Portuguese at the Club Lusitano last night by Father W. F. MacDonagh, S.J.  
 Father MacDonagh described the chaotic past to which Portugal had descended under liberalism, how her budget had not been balanced for over a hundred years, how she was slowly ceasing to be a nation, and how this great and simple man had not only pulled his country out of ruin but had set her on the highroad to great prosperity within a few years.

## ESTATE IN HONGKONG

### Brother Inherits His Own House from Sister

Letters of administration have been granted in the Hongkong Supreme Court to Frank Benoit, retired Chinese Maritime Customs official of Chungking, in connection with the estate of the late Mrs. Louise Paulin, widow of Francis Xavier Paulin who died at Montreal, Canada, in 1927.

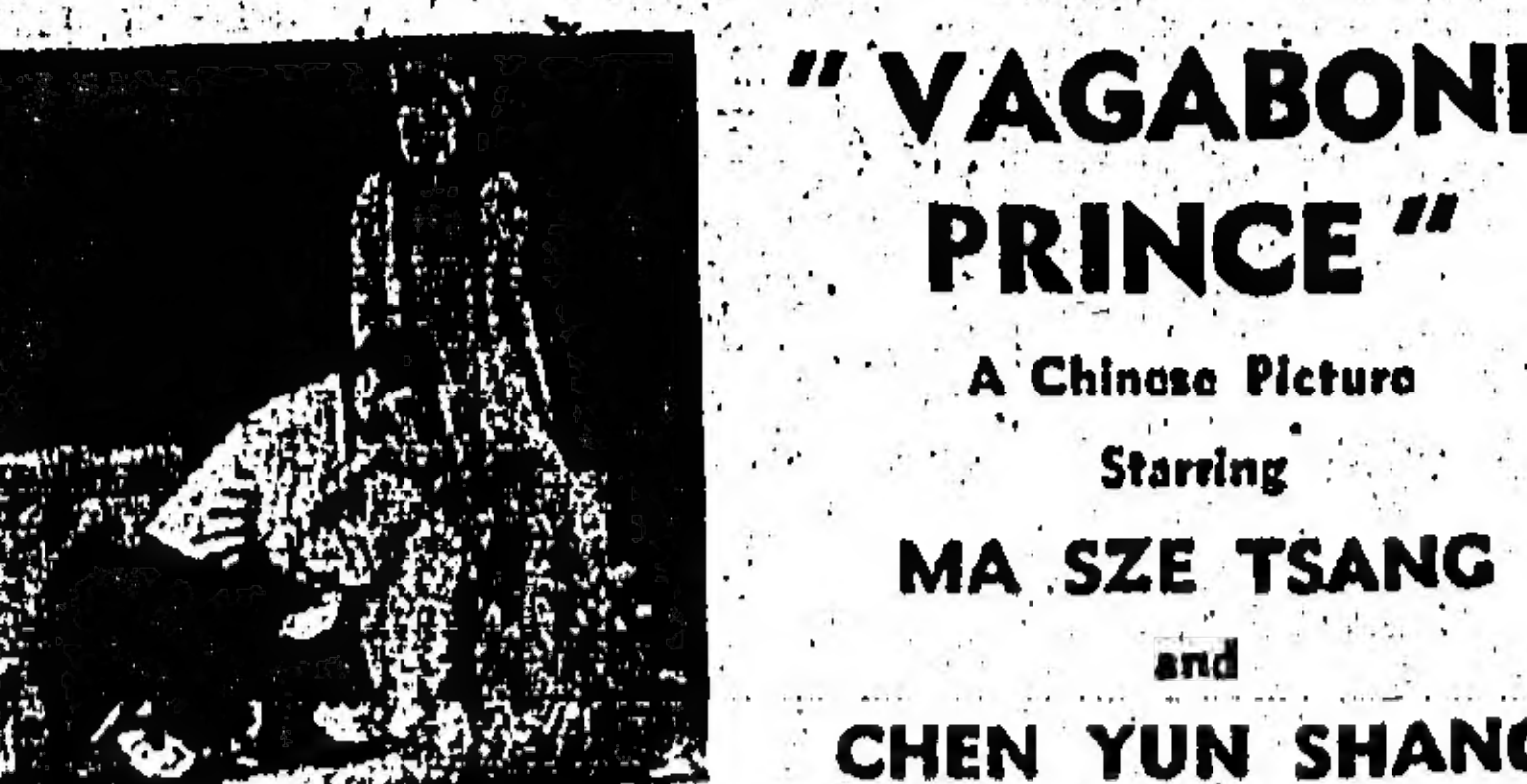
Mrs. Paulin died at the St. Paul's Hospital, Causeway Bay, in February at the age of 40. Under her will she left a house in Hongkong, No. 5, Liberty Avenue, Kowloon, to her brother, Frank Benoit. The house was, however, originally purchased by Mr. Benoit and registered in the name of Mrs. Paulin for convenience, as he was a resident of Chungking.

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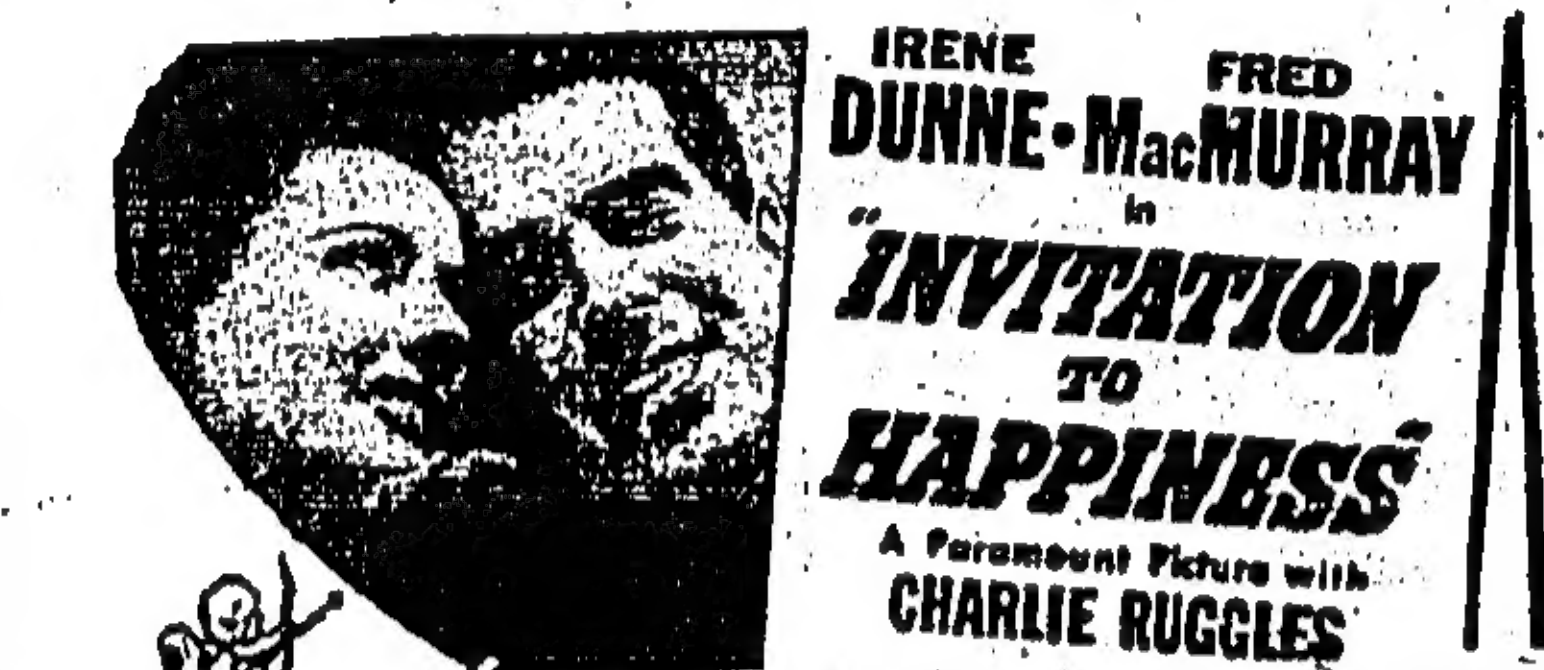


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## Hongkong Income Tax Proposals Starts Controversy in Two Capitals

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### "REUTER" REPLY TO BERLIN ALLEGATIONS

LONDON, OCT. 25 (REUTER).—THE GERMAN WIRELESS HAS STRESSED AN ARTICLE IN THE "SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST" REGARDING THE INDIGNATION OF THE CHINESE POPULATION AT THE INTRODUCTION OF INCOME TAX IN HONGKONG.

A special commentary, issued in London to-day, states that the following points are relevant in this connection:

- 1.—If the paper actually wrote as reported, it shows the great liberty enjoyed by the Press in British colonies. Such a free expression of opinion would be inconceivable in German territory.
- 2.—Chinese British subjects in Hongkong have for many years held seats on the Executive and Legislative Councils. There is no question of taxation without representation.

### STRICKEN WARSAW

#### Demand For Dead Dogs As Food

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An appalling account of the conditions in Warsaw was given to "Reuter" by a neutral observer who has just arrived from there.

This observer declared that dead dogs are in the greatest demand for human food. A dog cost nearly 10 shillings.

#### Indescribable Misery

The general misery of the city is indescribable. Many of the most prominent buildings and thoroughfares are totally destroyed. There are no electric lights, water, or trams; only a bus line is running.

All the shops are closed and the publication of all newspapers is suspended, but the Germans are running their own newspaper.

M. Starzynski, the heroic mayor, and other members of the City Council, who were charged with the defence of the city to the last, are being held as hostages by the Germans.

#### Rebellious Inhabitants

M. Starzynski is carrying out his duties in the Town Hall under German surveillance.

The deathlike quiet of the city is only broken at night-time by revolver shots exchanged by German soldiers and the still rebellious inhabitants.

### Hitler Defied

#### Danish Germans Will Not Return To Reich

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German Party in Denmark has protested against the suggestion that Germans in Northern Schleswig will be compulsorily returned to the Reich.

The Party held a protest meeting after the question of transfer was raised in Parliament by a Nationalist member.

The leader of the German Party described such a plan as insulting. The suggestion is rejected indignantly. He said: "Here we belong and here we stay."

### R. A. F. Sink "Pocket" Battleship

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An eye-witness of the R.A.F. raid on Wilhelmshaven declares that the 26,000 ton battleship Gneisenau was destroyed, according to the Norwegian newspaper "Arbeider Bladet."

It states that a bomb went down the funnel and exploded in the engine room, breaking the ship into two.

Several men were drowned.

"United Press" claimed that the Gneisenau had been sunk in its original report of the raid.

### ROYAL OAK ENQUIRY

#### Mr. Churchill To Make Statement

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated in the House of Commons to-day that an enquiry into the causes of the loss of H.M.S. Royal Oak will take place as speedily as possible.

He hopes to make a statement next week.

Mr. Churchill indicated that he would have to be very careful not to disclose information which might be of advantage to other parties. Asked if his attention was drawn to the U-boat commander's statement to the effect that he was two days in the vicinity of Scapa Flow, Mr. Churchill said: "A number of statements made by the U-boat commander were in part composed of repetition of information given in this House and part of which had no relation to fact." (Laughter).

### Why South Africa Is In The War

#### Powerful Broadcast By Col. Reitz

LONDON, Oct. 25 (British Wireless).—Colonel Reitz, the South African Native Affairs Minister, in an Empire broadcast from London to-day, referred to the forthcoming presence in London of dominion Ministers which, he said, would give great service to the common cause and proof not only of imperial solidarity but also to realisation of the fate awaiting the smaller nations in the event of a Nazi victory.

South Africa was especially under no delusion; her strategic position, her small white population and the fact she produced three-quarters of the world's gold supply, made sure that she would be the "first to go under" should Germany succeed.

Than And Now  
Col. Reitz, after dealing with the fundamental distinctions between South Africa and other Dominions in race and language, said: "In the past we fought two bitter wars against the British. I myself, who am speaking to you this afternoon, served three years under arms."

### MERCILESS AIR BOMBARDMENT THREAT TO U.K.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Oct. 25 (UP).—Von Ribbentrop's speech in Danzig is interpreted by the Berlin press as indicating that the Nazis have given up all hopes of peace.

Henceforth, it is believed, the war between Nazism and the Democracies will be an ideological war to the death.

The newspapers hint that the time has now come to subject the British Isles to merciless air bombardments.

The "National Zeitung," Goering's vituperative organ, says: "The moment has come. War, which Britain wants, must shower down on the British Isles themselves. Weapons must speak."

Goering is chief of the Nazi Air Force. The "Loak Anzeiger" prints a banner-line: "The Sword Will Decide." "Allgemeine Zeitung" says: "To Arms."

"Boersen Zeitung": "From now on everything depends on the hardness of weapons. England is threatening our existence and vital rights. She must—place—at stake, her world domination, her Empire."

Hitler Confers  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Oct. 25 (UP).—Hitler has received a number of his generals including the Commander-in-Chief, General Keitel, and Braunschweig.

Although well informed quarters state such conferences have not been unusual since the outbreak of war, these quarters see a connection between this particular conference and the German Foreign Minister's speech at Danzig yesterday.

Despite the opinion abroad that Herr von Ribbentrop's remarks may be a prelude to a German offensive, well-informed quarters state that it is improbable that any action will be taken at present on the Western Front.

It is stated here that it is more likely that to-day's conference was in line with preparations for greater air and naval action against England.

### 'Air Training In Colonies

#### Ministry May Extend Empire Scheme

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, asked in the House of Commons this afternoon what steps would be taken to use the flying services in the Crown Colonies and India, said: "Organisations for flying will be developed to the fullest possible extent all over the Empire."

The suggestion that the Empire Air Training Scheme be extended to the Crown Colonies and India will be carefully extended."

### PRINCE MICHAEL COMES OF AGE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (British Wireless).—The coming-of-age of Crown Prince Michael of Rumania is the subject of cordial notice in London, where, like his father, King Carol, he has many friends.

An occasion of such import to the future of the Rumanian state would, in any case, excite sympathy here on account of friendly relations existing between Rumania and Britain, and the high value placed upon them in official circles and in popular esteem.

### WAR GUILT DISPROVED

#### Britain's Eagerness For Peace

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the following facts disprove Herr von Ribbentrop's allegations—that Britain had plotted war for years and had rejected Hitler's peaceful overtures:

1.—Britain permitted Hitler to re-introduce conscription, build an air force, re-militarise the Rhineland, occupy Austria and Sudetenland;

2.—Britain has constantly striven for good understanding with Germany and the present British Government has been strongly criticised in the U.S.A. and neutral countries for the lengths it went to achieve this end;

3.—Britain's guarantee to Poland was given on March 31. Poland had rejected Hitler's demands on March 20;

Hitler's Betrayal  
4.—Mr. Chamberlain returned from Munich last year with Hitler's promise that any question arising between Germany and Britain would be settled by consultation.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "This is peace for our time." Six months later, Hitler betrayed him by seizing Czechoslovakia;

5.—Both Britain and France replied favourably to the Italian peace proposals on August 31, but laid it down as fundamental in reply to the second proposal on September 2 that the Germans should evacuate Polish territory;

6.—Germany herself made war inevitable by invading Poland on September 1.

### TRIPARTITE PACT TO BE RATIFIED

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister announced that in view of the exceptional circumstances, it was desired that the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Treaty should be ratified as soon as possible.

Therefore, it is proposed to submit the treaty for His Majesty's signature at once, and the instruments for ratification will be arranged in Ankara next week.

### King Leopold's Broadcast

BRUSSELS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It is announced that King Leopold's broadcast to the United States will take place at 2.15 a.m. on Friday instead of to-morrow.

### Blockade Of Reich Complete

#### Germany Cut Off From Outside World

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, reviewed the progress of the blockade in a statement in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Cross said that 388,000 tons of goods destined for Germany had been intercepted and detained in the first six weeks of the war.

Germany is now practically cut off from all her overseas sources of supply.

Belligerent Rights  
The British Government was determined to exercise its belligerent rights, but would take full account of the bona fide trading needs of neutrals.

Discussions are now proceeding with a number of neutral countries on questions connected with the Contraband Control.

Representatives of Iceland, Sweden, Netherlands and Belgium are now in London.

### Western Front News Scarce

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A communiqué says: "Our reconnaissance units and the enemy's have shown certain activity in the course of the day."

"We repulsed a German detachment in a region close to the Moselle."

### Warndt Evacuation

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A semi-official French statement explains that when the French Army evacuated most of the Warndt Forest, they held on to the hills and crests marking its southern and southeastern boundaries.

Since the evacuation, the Germans have been trying to dislodge them. Elsewhere on the Western Front, there were raids and ambushes in which both sides tried to take prisoners.

### PEACE REPORTS DENIED

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A categorical denial of peace rumours was made by Mr. Chu Chia-hun, Secretary-General of the Central Kuomintang, in an interview with "Reuter" this afternoon.

He also ridiculed the rumours that the Soviet Government had made demands on China, declaring that the Sino-Soviet relations are "most friendly."

### JUNK MACHINE-GUNNED IN HONGKONG WATERS

#### Antiquated Cannon Reply to Japan

BRITISH WATERS proved no protection for Pan Fat, junk master, when his craft became the target of Japanese machine gun fire at 3 a.m. yesterday. One of the bullets struck his sister, Pan Wo, 17, who lay asleep in the stern.

Pan reports that his junk was in Deep Bay off Lo So Shan when a Japanese motor boat approached from the direction of Lin Tin Island and opened fire with a machine gun.

Pan did not take the attack lying down, but discharged his junk cannon in return and fired a few rifle shots. The motor boat turned back, but not before Pan's sister was injured.

### Amazing German Canard

#### Figments Of Imagination

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German wireless on October 23 quoted an amazing statement about the Anglo-Franco-Turkish agreement which it was alleged had been taken from an article by the Istanbul correspondent of the "Paris Soir," says a special commentary on the war situation.

The correspondent is supposed to have written that Turkey had been promised 500 British aeroplanes, one-sixth of the petrol production in the Mosul district, the cessation of Alexandretta and the withdrawal of half the French troops from the Syrian-Turkish border.

All of these allegations are entirely without foundation and, it can be definitely stated, never appeared in the "Paris Soir."

#### Fantastic Suggestion

The cessation of Alexandretta was, as it is well known, the outcome of a separate agreement concluded some months ago between Turkey and France, and has already been put into effect.

The statement regarding the Mosul oil can only be described as fantastic. The German wireless also says that the British Government had promised to construct a new port for Turkey at their own expense. This is entirely untrue.

#### "Domel" Report Denied

Another part of the special commentary says there is no truth in the "Domel" report that Lord Halifax told the Chinese Minister to London at the outbreak of the war that Britain could no longer support Chiang Kai-shek.

The special commentary says that the following facts provide startling evidence of the improvement in national health. On the introduction of conscription in 1917, 65 per cent. of the youths of 18 were allocated to the militia. In June 1939, 83 per cent. of the militiamen were classified.

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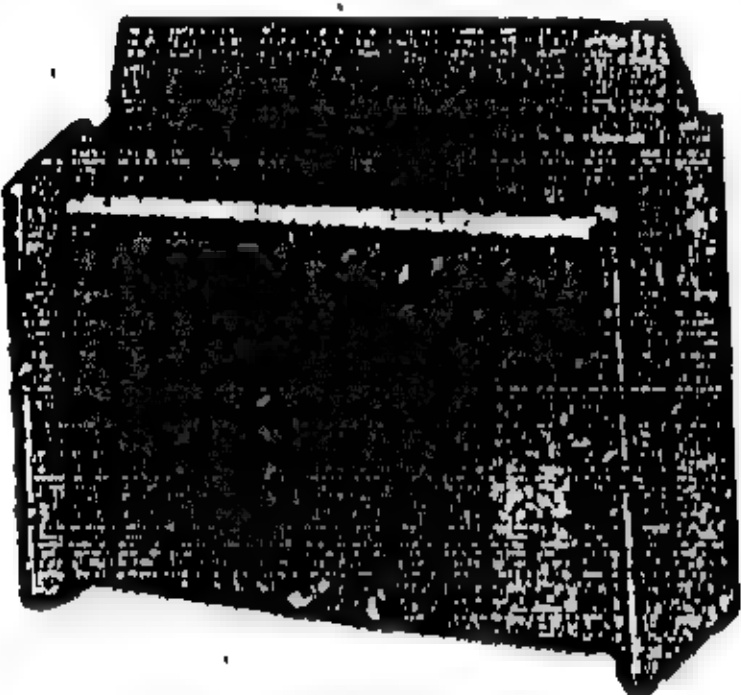
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Revenue Officer W. G. Humphreys wishes to extend thanks to all friends for their floral tributes, messages of condolence, and their attendance at the funeral; also to the staff of the Kowloon Hospital in his recent bereavement.

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### Morale in War

THERE is nothing to be more scrupulously avoided in war than a depreciation of the power and spirit of an opponent. It is facts that count.

When the last World War broke out there was no doubt of the enthusiasm of the German people. They were told and they firmly believed that they had been called upon to defend the life and freedom of the Fatherland; and they fought with a devotion which all the world acknowledged.

It is doubtful if the whole German people are fired now by equal ardour.

Day after day, of late, reports have come through various channels of discontent and disorder:—"Berlin is a city of sad faces. There is no wish for war, only a dull fear that it may come, and the fervent hope that it will not."

That message, which comes from Brussels, might be said of any nation confronted with the dire prospect of another world war, but it may be of more significance among a people who have been fed for years upon the glories of war and been taught to look forward to it with joyful anticipation.

The food question is perhaps one of the chief causes of this reported depression. The last war was well on its way before food shortages began to make itself felt in Germany.

On this occasion shortages began even when war seemed to be on the distant horizon.

In a remarkable book, "Germany's War Chances," written a few weeks ago by a Hungarian Professor of Constitutional Law, and banned after its contents had become public property, this passage occurs: "Long before the beginning of the struggle restrictions on all sorts of foodstuffs have already been introduced. Although the masses of the German people are not starving yet in the strict sense of the word, it is none the less true that there can be no talk of their being sufficiently fed."

Such reports, and all other reports of a like nature, should be read with the utmost caution and with a liberal discount. But they need not be ignored altogether.

## G. WARD PRICE

—whose articles in the London "Daily Mail" on Nazi Germany below-the-surface are arousing exceptional interest throughout the United Kingdom—tells you to-day of the smouldering rivalries between the Nazi Party leaders and the heads of the German Army.

## Nazi leaders and Army Generals seldom quite agree

IN peace time high German officers have spoken to me of defects in their armed forces. It may, of course, have been their aim to allay the suspicions of a visiting newspaper correspondent as to the use that Germany might ultimately make of them—but there are common-sense reasons for believing that what they said was true.

"What we lack are efficient officers of field rank and experienced N.C.O.s," they told me. "We have excellent generals who learn their business in the last war. The captains and subalterns are hardworking and high-spirited."

"But there is a serious shortage—of majors and lieutenant-colonels and colonels owing to the fact that for the first 15 years after the war the Reichswehr was limited to 100,000 men, and the type of man who would normally have become an officer and risen to field rank went into civilian life instead."

### Secret Contempt

GERMANY'S armed forces have done two years' service with the colours, and those who were too old to be conscripted have been repeatedly called up for spells of training of six-weeks or two months. This experience is not as much as the German General Staff would like for men who have to face soldiers with the unbroken military traditions of the French.

Moreover, during these four years the Army has had a happy family. The officers have had to put up with many slights from Party hordes, for whom those of the old German Army, at any rate, feel a secret contempt.

I shall never forget the Nuremberg Party Congress in 1935. A special meeting of the Reichstag was summoned there; and all the senior generals and admirals attended. They sat to one side on the ground floor. I was in a gallery overlooking them.

Goering, as President of the Reichstag, addressed all the standards of the armed forces were to be changed. The old black, white, and red flag with the Iron Cross was to be replaced by the Nazi Swastika.

The Fuehrer has pulled the old flag out of the mud into which it had fallen," said Goering with dangerous eloquence. "It is now to be replaced by the Swastika, which is the symbol of the fighting spirit that will rebuild Germany."

The words shocked even me. I have lived in a Prussian military family and know what their flag meant to them—the flag that flew victoriously at Konigsgratz, and was carried triumphantly to Paris in 1870.

I looked at the hard, weather-beaten faces of those German Army commanders. If ever I saw lips tighten and eyes flash with indignation they were theirs. Gripping their sword-belts, they sat staring straight in front of them as they heard the second man in the Reich declare that the flag which embodied their honour as soldiers had "fallen into the mud."

What private protests the generals may have made, I do not know, but it is significant that when the new Service standards appeared two months later the old Iron Cross design was combined with and not replaced by the Swastika.

In the early days of national service German officers openly taught their recruits that the Army was a much older institution, with finer traditions, than the party. Nazi influences were strictly kept outside the barrack gates. Young Party bosses drafted for military service found themselves singled out for fatigues and snubs.

### Refused to Sing

HOW often have I watched the group of generals at big Party functions—always standing together—a fine-looking, impressive, reserved group, avoiding all but the most formal of contact with the Nazi officials. When the two national anthems were sung at the end of the ceremony you would see them join in Deutschland uber Alles, but their lips stayed firmly shut for the Horst Wessel Lied, the Party song that followed.

"It must be a great advantage for you," I said once to a regimental officer, "that all your recruits have previously served in the Storm Troopers or the S.S. They will, at any rate, have learnt barrack-square discipline."

"Advantage!" he exclaimed. "It's the very thing we disapprove of most. These young fellows have been given such a big conceit of themselves in the Party formations that they think they know everything."

Since the big Army purge in February last year, when 15 generals were dismissed, the Party has completely penetrated the Army. All troops have had to attend three political lectures a week, and officers have been restricted to giving technical instruction. The soldiers, after completing their service, now return automatically to the ranks of the Storm Troopers.

### Not Enough Pilots

IN the German Air Force the short space of time available for building up esprit de corps is not so serious a handicap. Air fighting calls for more individual initiative, and the German flying men have been put through a hard school. Training casualties are enormous, but no statistics of them have appeared.

Whereas originally the German Air Force was staffed by officers who volunteered for it, the system of appointment by order has been substituted.

I was told in Germany last spring that the production of aeroplanes was actually being slowed down because the Air Force was not able to produce enough pilots to fly modern high-speed machines.

One wonders, too, how the "corps-like obedience theory" will work in war. The first principle of the Nazi creed being that "The Fuehrer is always right," has been assumed that the minor Fuehrers, each in his degree—are also infallible. Splendidly though German organisation works on normal occasions, it is never at its best in an emergency.

### A Weakness

THERE is a new weapon in this war whose muzzle reaches into all our homes. The wireless broadcasts of the German Propaganda Ministry can be heard on the ether every evening, and so far no anti-gas precautions have been found necessary to deal with them in this country.

For if there is one weakness in the German character—which has many admirable qualities—it is congenial ignorance of the psychology of other nations.

On Tuesday night I heard roars of laughter coming from the Daily Mail wireless room. They were repeated so often that I went to inquire what the joke was. I found four or five people listening to the English broadcast from Berlin, which was followed by an American expressing his profound admiration of the fact that it was still possible to get a drink in Germany. To a German the British character and the way to make an impression on it will always remain a mystery.

### News—by Order

FOR purposes of internal propaganda the wireless is the principal instrument of the German Government, Reichsleiter Hitler, the energetic young man who is in charge, under Dr. Goebbels, of the German Broadcasting system, has done his work well.

Every large town in Germany has wireless loud speakers on the lamp-posts; every restaurant and beer-house is almost compelled to keep its set constantly turned on, and cheap home-receivers have been provided at a price within the scope of the poorest, so that the official news supplied by the Deutsches Nachrichten Bureau is sure of instant transmission to the great majority of the nation.

Yet all Germany knows that nothing unfavourable to the Government would be communicated. Even under normal conditions, every foreigner who talks to Germans detects an uneasy eagerness to hear the facts about many matters that have been the subject of extensive treatment by the German wireless stations.

In wartime, the feeling that unpleasant truths are being systematically withheld may not like dry rot on the moral of the German nation.

### What About the Future

It is not the ex-soldier's way to cry over spilt milk. What has happened is accomplished history. But what of the future? If the whole wretched business has to be done over again, will the sequel still be the same? We do not hear so much now, in the light of present events, from those dear souls who told us it was all rubbish about Germany being responsible for the Great War.

And what about the parrot-cry that it is impossible to keep a great nation down? If there is going to be a next War and Germany happens with better luck this time to win it, the Nazi bludgeoners will show us all about that piffle.

Make no error on that score. If we had lost the last war we should have been giving the Nazi salute to-day to our Prussian overlords, and jumping to it. We should not have been allowed or encouraged to renounce ourselves, and our grandsons would still be sweating, a generation or two hence, to pay off a swingeing war indemnity which the Germans would have collected punctiliously, and, if necessary, at the bayonet's point. There would have been no societies started in Germany to cultivate friendly relations with conquered Britons, and I doubt whether any of the German Admirals would have assured their countrymen that Great Britain offered to defend the German Empire!

What German was it who said, "You will always be fools and we shall never be gentlemen?" It is borne in upon me that he may have been right.

## Not Ours to Reason Why!

HOW amusing it is now to recall the almost frenzied ecstasies of relief with which we acclaimed Armistice Day, 1918. The news seemed too good to be true. After nearly five years of desperate fighting, of ruinous expenditure, and tragic slaughter, which meant the total eclipse of all normal happy peaceful life, the interminable horrors of the Great War were over.

All hats were in the air then. Every face wore a smile of inexpressible tranquil relief. The sun was no longer a goblin; Skies were blue again. A malevolent spell had been suddenly lifted from mankind, and the predatory ruffler of cannon no longer held men's hearts and hearths in daily and nightly thrall. The troubled world had known nothing like it since the dove brought back to Father Noah that olive branch which meant that God's wrath was appeased.

Incidentally these sensations of infinite heavenly relief were shared not least in Germany. For in that country the full tide of disastrous war was swiftly availing back on its own homesteads. To all Germans it was starkly evident that the hour of dreadful retribution was at hand. The field grey legions, who had marched forth so proudly and confidently four and a half years earlier, and had held the miseries of war at arm's length from the Fatherland, were in full retreat along the whole Western Front.

### Foch Calls Their Bluff

How great and genuine was the relief of Armistice Day to Germany only those quite understand who saw the German peace envoys as they waited on Foch in his corridor train in the wood. They were no longer the arrogant swashbuckling Junkers of gay August, 1914. They were pale, tired, haggard with fear, and stamped their feet with impatience as the Allied Generalissimo quietly prepared to receive them. Their illustrious War Lord, Ludendorff himself, had hidden them, lost not one instant of precious time.

Germany's stupendous military machine was jangling to ruins about their ears. The stickhaube was on the lethal brink of a frightful snuff out. Even then the Prussian mentality remained constant to its jackboot tradition. Though they were laden with fear, their nails with suspense, they bluffed.

When Foch demanded what they came for, their reply was that they came to discuss peace terms. But Foch, a soldier and no politician, was not in any mood for bluff. His plain, blunt reply was that he had no peace terms to propose. Then, and then only, the German aeries ceased their bluff. They meekly told the Generalissimo that they came to sue for peace.

### The Gangsters Again

That was twenty-one years ago next November. Less than a generation ago. Judging by the astounding circumstances of to-day it might well have been a century. For what a contrast presents itself to Europe's pallid face at this moment. Germany, doubly rearmad and with the old arrogant, domineering spirit of "Deutschland uber Alles" tuned to a yet more strident and caudal note, is no longer humbly suing for peace, but menacing the whole Continent with another ruinous holocaust of battle and bloodshed. The old wicked Prussian policy of ransom is once more being addressed to Germany's neighbours on the approved Chicago gangster methods. Because the whole philosophy of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and Goebbels' gutter backchat boils down simply to "Stick 'em up!"

This is a metamorphosis startling and incredible enough: surely to make angels weep tears of blood. It took us nearly five years to draw the dragon teeth of Germany. But it was well and truly done. In 1918 we had Germany down and out. It cost us twice a thousand million pounds and, over a million British dead, not to mention the ordeal of that long, squalid, verminous struggle in the mud and blood.

To-day we awake to the realisation that all that appalling sacrifice has been made in vain. There are still with us some millions of those ex-Servicemen who did their manly bit in the Great War to end war. It might be a healthy experience for some politicians if they could hear what those men are saying about this great betrayal now. Hitler has fooled us to the top of our bent. He has bluffed us out of the deathlight of all those illimitable soldier cemeteries of ours.

It would be egregiously presumptuous for anyone to pretend to speak for all ex-Servicemen. But there is not much doubt that the average man thinks and feels now. He carried a pack and shouldered a rifle in the last war. His sentiment is one of sheer amazement that any politicians outside a lunatic asylum should have made such an utter and clamorous muddle of the opportunity presented to them in 1918.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



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OVERNIGHT  
NEWS PAGER.A.F. Machines  
Over Berlin

LONDON, Oct. 25. (Reuter Bulletin).—A French communiqué states that a flight of R.A.F. planes flew successfully over Germany last night, passing over Hamburg and Berlin. It is believed that the cause of the closing down of the Hamburg Broadcasting Station in the middle of Herr von Ribbentrop's speech was an air raid warning.

BLOCKADE  
THREAT  
USELESS

London, Oct. 25. Summing up the prospects of the German military blockade of Britain, the Yorkshire Post's military critic says that neutrals are not alarmed by the threats to treat their ships as enemies if they trade with Britain. They are well aware that our sea and air units are ceaselessly watching enemy craft. Neutrals can see through the German attempt to combine them in an international blockade. As Germany does not pay cash, they will soon have bad budgets, besides being saddled with the status of belligerents. Germany's recent losses in submarines and aircraft are not helpful to the policy of attacking Britain with these arms.

The Turkish fleet operates on the sea against Germany. Neither Russia, Japan, Turkey nor Italy has listened to the German blandishments. The Mediterranean has never been so strongly held by the Allies, while the Egyptian army has been re-equipped, reorganised and supported by the British, and the Indian troops have become a new instrument in the Far East.—Reuter.

OBITUARY  
Twice President Of  
Switzerland

Zurich, Oct. 16. Dr. Robert Haub, famous Swiss statesman and former President, died here to-day at the age of 74.—Associated Press.

Dr. Haub contributed as much to the national life of Switzerland as any man of his time. When he was 29 he was chosen Mayor of his native city, Wädenswil, and since then was continuously in the service of the people in State and governmental posts.

His service in the Canton of Zurich included membership on the Supreme Court, in the Council of State where he directed the Departments of Justice and Public Works and as representative of the canton in the district council of the Swiss Federal Railways. From the last-named position, Dr. Haub advanced into the service of the Federal Government as a Director of the Swiss Federal Railways, became diplomatic representative of his country at Berlin in 1917, and in December of that year was elected to the Federal Council, the executive power in Switzerland, which twice chose him President of the country.

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## Whittaker-Willcocks

BRILLIANT WEDDING  
AT THE CATHEDRAL

St. John's Cathedral was the scene of a brilliant wedding yesterday evening when Lieut. John Gordon Whittaker, R.A., married Miss Wendy Winifred Willcock.

The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of the Cathedral, officiated. His Excellency the Governor was represented by his Aide-de-Camp, Captain S. H. Batty-Smith, at the ceremony, and later at the reception, which was held in the Hongkong Club Annex.

The bride is the daughter of Major J. L. Willcocks, M.C., of the Black Watch, Commissioner of Prisons, Hongkong, and Mrs. Willcocks, and the granddaughter of the late General Sir James Willcocks, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.S.G., D.S.O.

Arriving at the church on the arm given away, by whom she was escorted, the bride wore an exquisite gown of ivory and gold brocade with train to match. Her ivory tulle veil floated from an ivory and gold halo, and she carried a bouquet of white gladioli.

The bridegroom is the only son of the late Mr. John Whittaker, of Shaw Hill, Chorley, Lancashire, and Mrs. Whittaker of Dean's Orchard, More, Wilt.

The bride's mother attended the ceremony in a pastel pink lace frock over a foundation of black, and carried a bouquet of roses.

Lieut. K. I. M. Buchanan, of the Royal Scots, undertook the duties of

GERMANS DISMAYED  
BY POSSIBILITY  
OF A LONG WAR

Allied and neutral commentators see in Herr Ribbentrop's speech another attempt to split the Franco-British front, and at the same time the threat of early military activity on a large scale owing to the inability of the Reich leaders to keep Germany under war conditions and a huge army under arms for an indefinite period.

Amsterdam, Oct. 25. Because they had been assured by the Nazi leaders that peace was positive on the conclusion of the Polish campaign, Herr von Ribbentrop's speech was a great shock to the German people, state neutral observers here.

Information received shows that the German public clung desperately to the hope that even at the last moment Hitler would avoid war. The natural fears of the consequences of the war have been increased by stories of the horrors of modern warfare related by hundreds of thousands of soldiers on their return from the Polish battlefields. The developments which are expected to follow Herr von Ribbentrop's speech are therefore awaited with the deepest anxiety.

The Press prints the speech without comment.—Reuter.

## British Comment

London, Oct. 24. The Daily Mail remarks that Herr von Ribbentrop dutifully reproduces his master's voice. The world has been given another frill of distortions, half truths and untruths. The News Chronicle comments that nothing in the speech weakens the charge of sabotage of peace hopes held against the Nazis.—Reuter.

## May Prosage Attack

London, Oct. 25. Herr von Ribbentrop's broadcast has set military critics speculating anew regarding the possibility of a German offensive. Despite the rain, which appears likely to continue, flooded rivers and water-logged ground, an offensive is considered to be still feasible.

It is observed that the Nazis are highly strung, impatient and confident, and the German people are not accustomed to hesitancy on Hitler's part. It is also believed that the German generals cannot keep the vast masses of men now gathered at the Siegfried Line indefinitely concentrated in so small a space, and must fight or withdraw.

M. Charles Morice, Le Petit Parisien says that the British are engaging the enemy with marvellous new fighter planes which are far superior to the Messerschmitts.—Reuter.

## Not Impressed

Paris, Oct. 25. A semi-official commentary on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech says: "The need is apparently felt to galvanise German opinion by giving it the precise object of hate—Britain. Herr Hitler attributes to Britain all the ambition and perjuries which the world, doubtless misinformed, attributes to Germany. By this Herr von Ribbentrop, who intentionally pays a most magnificent tribute to British power."

"As for France, the theme developed is that used most often by German propaganda. Germany desires to separate France's cause from Britain's. Herr von Ribbentrop does not yet seem to have noticed that the diplomatic action, speeches and military effort of Britain and France as well as the reaction of the two countries to public opinion on the methods and objectives of Hitlerite Germany are completely identical."—Reuter.

## Press Reactions Agree

Paris, Oct. 25. In commenting on Herr von Ribbentrop's speech, the Press considers it is for internal consumption and that it reveals the utter confusion of the Nazi leaders. Emphasis is laid on the effort to separate France and Britain. It is pointed out that Herr von Ribbentrop has failed in advance.

Le Petit Parisien says that Hitler's mouthpiece made an exasperated attempt to refute Mr. Chamberlain's accusation of perfidy against Hitler, but it has not succeeded in the least.

## American Reaction

New York, Oct. 24. The New York Times says: "Too obviously and too clumsily Ribbentrop tries to segregate Great Britain from all other Powers as the only enemy. When it is remembered that Herr von Ribbentrop who convinced Hitler that the British would never fight, this distaste against their inalienable will to war is, above all, a furious confession of his own tragic mistake."—Reuter.

## Danish Opinion

Copenhagen, Oct. 25. The National Tidende surmises that Herr von Ribbentrop's speech shows that the attack which will follow shortly will be directed against Britain and the Empire only.—Reuter.

THREAT OF  
SABOTAGEGuard On Queen Mary  
And Normandie Doubled

New York, Oct. 25. The guards on the Hudson River berths of the Queen Mary and Normandie were doubled last night following reports to the police that one of the ships would be sabotaged in the next few days, says the New York Times.

The Cunard White Star Line reports that information to this effect is in possession of the Navy Intelligence Department.

## Raised False Flag

Manzanillo, Mexico, Oct. 24. The German steamship Havelland arrived to-day with a cargo of Philippine sugar, copra, and coconut oil, seeking its transshipment to an American vessel for delivery to Galveston, New Orleans, and other North Atlantic ports.

The U.S.S. gunboat Erie, of the Special Service Squadron, also arrived on a courtesy visit soon after the Havelland.

It is reported that, by coincidence, the Erie met the Havelland near Oaxaca and that after the customary exchange of salutes, the Havelland raised the Netherlands flag. The United States gunboat asked her to raise her real flag, whereupon the Havelland raised the Nazi banner.—United Press.

## Argentine Warned

Buenos Aires, Oct. 24. The German Ambassador to-day delivered a note to the Argentine Foreign Minister stressing the danger to the Argentine of German ships travelling on British or French merchant ships.

The note also admonished neutral vessels to abstain from suspicious activities.—United Press.

Poison Gas  
QueryBritain Did Not Send  
Supplies To Poland

London, Oct. 25. Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons to-day whether, in view of the repeated official German allegations that gas was supplied to the Polish Government by the British Government, he could make a statement on the matter.

Mr. Chamberlain reminded Mr. Henderson that the War Minister had already caused a most explicit denial to be made to "this impudent and transparent falsehood."

"I am glad of the opportunity of stating categorically once more that poison gas has never been supplied by this country to Poland in any form," the Premier added.

Mr. Henderson: Is it the Government's view that these allegations constitute propaganda to justify possible use of gas by the Germans themselves?

Mr. Chamberlain: We have known similar instances in the past. (Laughter).—Reuter.

CANTON HAS BECOME A  
CITY OF CASINOS

Conditions in Canton to-day are described in a letter from a Canton resident who writes as follows:

Canton, has become a city of casinos with amusement houses all over the districts.

Fan-lan gambling has resumed its popularity. As a franchisee with a daily payment of no less than \$1,400, the gambling business has been monopolised from September last by the Kwong Fok Kung She, a syndicate under the management of a Mr. Han with headquarters at 109, Tin Shing Road.

The city is divided into twelve districts and in each district a certain number of Fan-lan houses are established with permission of the Japanese. In addition to the 50 in operation, some 30 more are under organization.

The Chinese authorities, however, in recent weeks have strengthened the ban on gambling in all unoccupied districts.

## America And Japan

Admiral Nomura to See  
Mr. J. C. Grew "Soon"

Tokyo, Oct. 25. Major K. M. Bourne, Commissioner of the Municipal Police, are working out certain "outline suggestions" which will be presented to Mayor Fu Siao-on within the next day or two as a basis for settlement of the controversy between the two Municipalities, including the extra-settlement roads problem.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman stated that Mr. Cornell S. Franklin had informed Mayor Fu Siao-on on Monday that there would be three different proposals, but details are not disclosed.—United Press.

## Serious Outlook

Shanghai, Oct. 25. Japan is facing a serious shortage of war materials, huge loss of foreign trade, unstable political conditions, and unfavourable foreign relations as a dark winter, said Mr. James Young, Tokyo correspondent for the Hearst newspapers.

The military campaign in China is the cause of the most serious setback in the lack of foreign exchange for the purchase of important commodities abroad, thereby hampering not only Japan but her occupied areas in China.

The European war hits hard Manchukuo, where the once smooth industrial programme sustains a severe blow. The soy bean output which went to Germany under a barter agreement has cut off by half, while the war ends Manchukuo's hopes of German machinery and other necessary imports.

Japan is now forced to turn to the United States and other countries to obtain machinery and supplies. However, she does not have foreign exchange with which to purchase them. The abrogation of the American-Japanese Trade Treaty is a severe blow.

There is a fear among Japanese business men that America will soon refuse to ship any merchandise to Japan and decline to purchase Japanese gold and silver which the Japanese seize in North China. He disclosed that numerous American manufacturers have cancelled their Japanese orders despite the offers to pay cash with premium.

Even the tourist trade in Japan is at present at zero owing to the European war and to the fact that foreigners have to undergo unpleasant experience. Some 150 American writers who recently visited Japan at the request and expense of the American Government complained about the inconvenience they were forced to endure in Japan.—International.

## Explanation Given

Shanghai, Oct. 25. A dispute over property is the Japanese version of the incident in Sinsing in which the Japanese are reported to have confiscated ground belonging to the American Catholic Mission Society of the Divine Word.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman denied that any anti-British or anti-Christian movement was involved. According to the spokesman, the Sinsing authorities, in pursuance of plans for improvement of the city, built a new road cutting partly through Mission property, but for reasonable payment was offered for the property. The missionaries were required to give up.

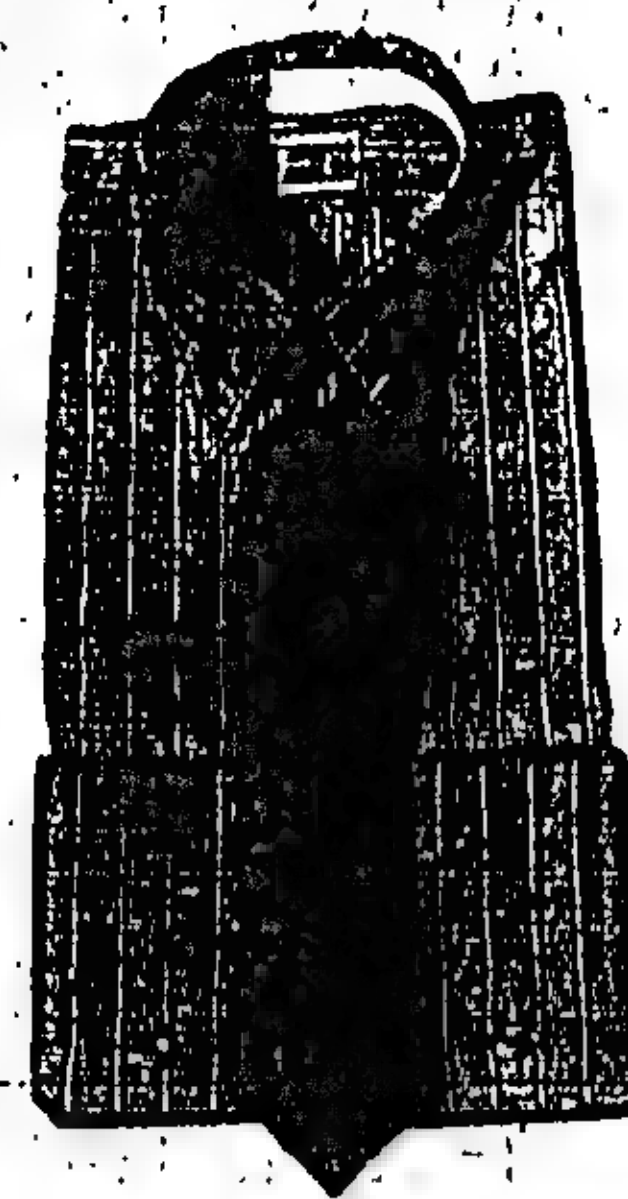
The spokesman added that the matter could be settled through negotiations quite calmly.—Reuter.

## AMERICAN INSTITUTE

The Sixth Luncheon Meeting of the Chinese American Institute will be held at 1 p.m. to-morrow, at the Yung King Chinese Restaurant, 170 Johnston Road, Hongkong. Dr. Arthur Woo will be the guest of honor and address the meeting.

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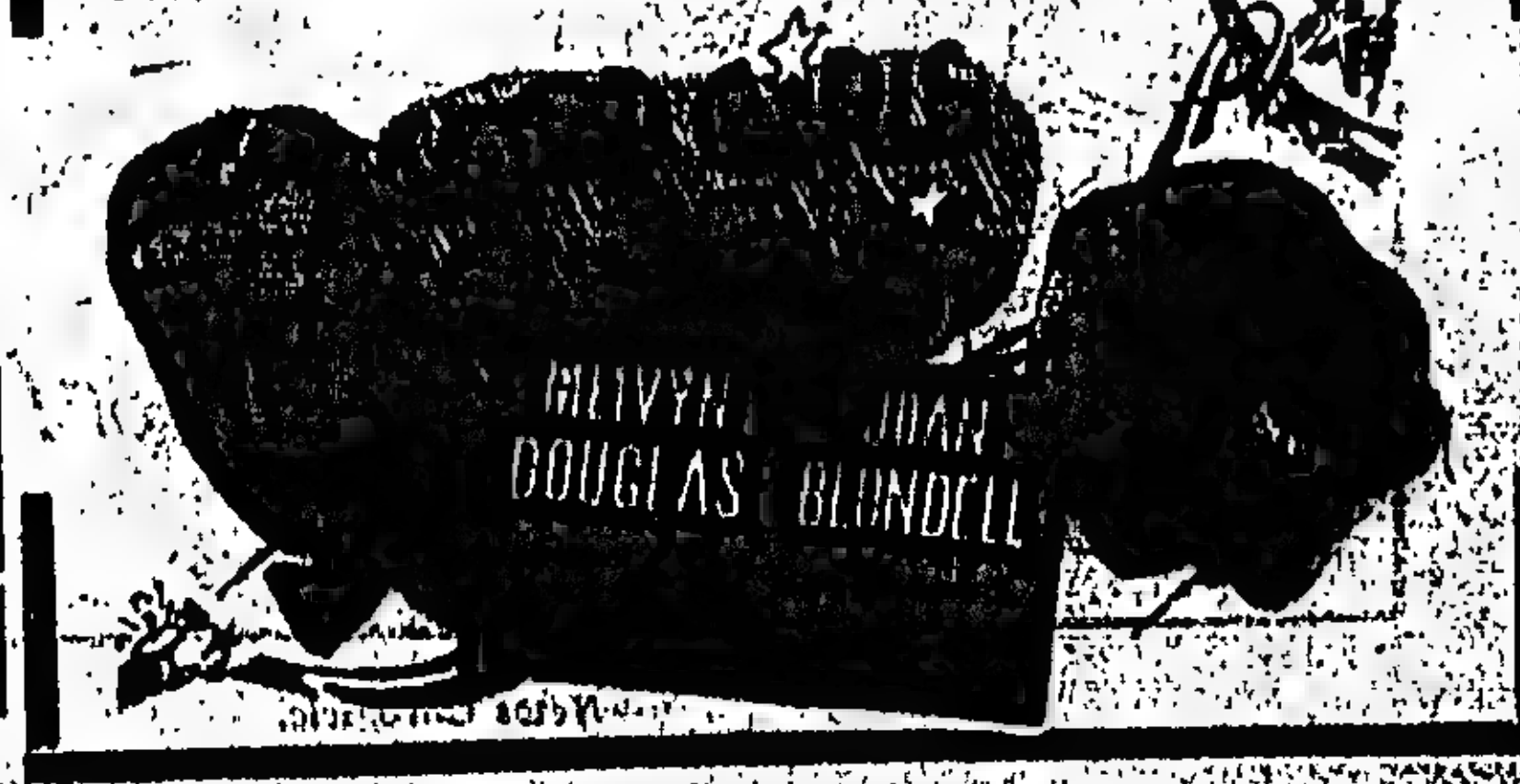
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# CULTIVATING HOCKEY "SENSE"

## Modern Tactics That Should Be Learned By Players To-day

(By "Pilgrim")

**HOCKEY SENSE** In the absence of a better word I am using it with the hope that it will not catch the eye of a psychologist, who would certainly penalise me for some infringement of his rules. By "hockey sense" I mean what a player can, by his sincere efforts at learning the game and close observation of others, sense exactly what to do and what not to do.

It is the final development of a class player, beginning from team-work, positional play and anticipation, to this last stage.

DHYAN Chand's movements (the well-known Indian) are very simple analytically, but he does the right thing at the right moment, and he is, therefore, called great and wizard. His hockey "sense" has been developed to such an extent that it is seldom he chooses to do the wrong thing.

Why cannot you be a Dhyani or whoever your favourite may be? You are also born with a "hockey sense." It is within you, only you are not conscious of it. Begin thinking of it from to-day, and develop it by constant practice, keeping a cool head and observing other players without criticising their play. No good player is without benefit to you, and every hockey practice should add something to your knowledge of the game.

### FORWARDS IN GENERAL

IN days gone by, long passing, hard hitting, tapping the ball along in the air, and the hit-and-run tactics were common, until recently clubs developed shots like the jab, lunge, flick (or push) and scoop. This led

### Hockey Tournament Draw Postponed

Due to the illness of the Secretary of the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament, the draw, which should have been made on Tuesday, has been postponed to Monday, when Club Secretaries will meet at St. Andrew's Church Hall.

to the "hit-and-run" scientific game that we know to-day, in which, on improved, fast grounds, violence is superseded by artistic wrist work. If the ground be heavy and muddy, hard passing has to be adopted, with less of the push and flick. If the defence has the temerity to lie too far up the ground, hit-and-run tactics in sudden bursts will still pay.

Frequently, the captain or some other player of his team, will know the characteristic play of his opponents, and he should instruct both forwards and defence on the kind of strategy to be adopted to meet each contingency, be it of weather, of person or of ground. He may even surprise his men by a sudden change of tactics, if some star performer in the opposition, or in his own team, is found to be off his game. For, of old, the most efficient defence is successful offence.

### TESTING THE TURF

BEFORE the game, do not neglect to test the pace of the turf, not by cracking the ball as hard as you can at someone standing in the goal, but by getting some players to make a run or two up the field with the ball, being at the same time careful

## NEW CHAIRMAN FOR AUSTRALIAN CRICKET BOARD

MELBOURNE.—When the Australian Board of Cricket Control elects a new chairman at the annual meeting in Sydney, the choice is likely to be Mr. Harry W. Hodgson, a prominent Adelaide shareholder and cricket administrator.

The retiring chairman (Dr. Allan Robertson, of Victoria) has held office for the three years limit prescribed by the board's constitution, which also restricts the chairman's tenure to three years.

The previous chairman (Mr. R. K. Gidman, N.S.W.) also had a three year tenure. Actually the chairman is elected annually, but it has become the custom to re-elect him for two successive years. South Australia is due for the chairmanship, as Dr. Robertson and Mr. Oxlade have had each two consecutive terms of office since Mr. B. V. Scrymgeour, of Adelaide, was board chairman.



The start of the 100 yards backstroke event of the Inter-School Annual Swimming meet at the Y.M.C.A. on Friday last—Ming Yuen.

### Rugby

## Police Beat Club 10-6: Poor Place Kicking

(By "Fly-half")

LAST evening at the Club, the Police displayed their true for a and literally beat the Club on the post. Club once again showed lack of place-kickers, and one may forecast a result that in a vital match Club may lose the issue through lack of a player who is capable of sending between the bars a ball from half-way out.

Dr. Stout, who was playing his first game after an attack of malarial, had direction but lacked distance in both Club kicks. On the other hand both were from afar, whilst the Police kicks were from between the posts and easily converted by Pay.

Despite this, Police have a strong kicker in Taylor, who may be relied on to send the ball between the bars from any reasonable distance in first class rugby.

The play on the whole was fairly scrappy, with Police taking the most advantage of any mistakes. At forward the Force did extraordinarily well, especially the scrum, against Salter, the Colony hooker. In fact, in the set scrums it was so even that the ball went back in favour of the scrum-half putting it in.

If anything may be a fair gauge of how the game went it is that often when the ball hooked they were in, with the result that Rutherford, the Club scrum-half, had not much time in which to string out the ball.

### DESERVE TO WIN

IN this respect, if any, I think the Police deserved to win. It was played in a very hot, dry, and sunny day, and the Club was back in 1928-29, showed up well in quick breaks for the Force, even though he was playing wing forward. If my memory serves me well, he was a contemporary of Sam Fox of the Bears.

In the lineouts, the honours went to the Police, especially in the second half when Dempsey and Farmer threw the ball back to Luscombe without having to resort to the pot.

The opening stages, Club exploited Richardson, the regular 1st XV player, with success, but later on he was closely marked in the lineouts. Luscombe was more resourceful, but he was accompanied by feeding his thrice, but followed up to be "in at the death." His try was the result of snatching the ball from Carruthers, Club's full back, when the latter was commencing his shout of "stand still," presumably by his own side for offside, although why is not clear.

WALL OUTSTANDING The most outstanding player for the Police was Wall, the full back, who sustained a severe knock on the side of the head when he dived at the end of Club's forward pass, who were all set for a rush for the line, and later landed on his head in a three-quarter rush in which Day with forward assistance tried to force their way through. The latter impact forced Wall to leave the field, slightly concussed. Quickly he resumed and heralded his resumption by cleverly fielding a ball high up and gaining touch well down.

The Police line-line throughout the game was anything but co-operative. The inside, whether through self-consciousness or lack of speed, lay far ahead of the wing men. Day was the man in Club's attack, and time and again he slipped, and Taylor with Wilson's assistance, did not pass or to pass forward.

The scrum did not lie with Wilson alone, but rather the scrum which necessitated Wilson taking the inside rather than his own scrum-half. The Police would benefit much from practice in which the three line from scrum-half down went for the opposition.

## Football & Rugby Games in France

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter). A series of football and rugby matches between the British and French Armies in France have been arranged by the Army Sports Commission. The proceeds will be devoted to a fund for buying sports equipment for the soldiers.

The first match will be played on November 12.

The battle between Taylor, of Police, and Thompson, Club's 1st XV full back, did not materialise, as both were inclined to kick for touch when in possession, which was seldom, or else try a diagonal kick.

### POLICE FAULT

A FAULT of Police three was for the inside to bunch for too near the stand-off leaving the wings two men to tackle should the other side obtain possession. This is definitely a fault which must be overcome. Far too often were Hughes and Taylor called upon to gather lobbed strings (not passes), with the danger of one of the opposing side intercepting.

Taylor must learn to cover up if he aspires to be a Colony wing three, and to try a little more instead of making good ground by touch kicking. It would seem that when an inside or even a stand-off has thought fit to pass out, it is the duty of a wing man to go "like the wind" for the corner flag instead of kicking for good position.

Hughes on the right wing for Police, indulged in some good kicks ahead, but why won't some three indulge in a clever dribble where the ball is under the control of the feet, that is propelled by the forward movement of the foot, instead of blind kick ahead which is followed up. Indeed, seldom does one see, out here, the man with his body lying forward of the ball and his feet knocking it no further than his chest.

In this department the Police should excel, with so many men in their ranks with football training.

### THE SCORES

CLUB—In the middle of the game scored two tries through Day and Thompson, despite repeated thrusts through both players which were thoroughly planned by Wall who played a sterling game at full-back for the Force.

To this Luscombe replied by a gift try in the second half, when he snatched the ball out of Carruthers' hands to touch down under the posts. Pay made no mistake in giving the Police a 10-6 victory by converts alone.

Police R.U.F.C.: Wall; Reynolds; Thompson; Wilson; Day; Taylor; Pay; Carruthers; Wheeler; Scarle; Dempsey; Gillman; Reynolds; Dempsey; Jenner and Riddell.

Club "A": Carruthers; Thompson; Day; Hamilton; and D. B. Nelson; Butler; and Rutherford; Wandlyn; Salter; Stout; E. Hynes; R. M. B. King; Dean; Rogers; and W. B. Richardson.

## High Blood Pressure Dangerous to Heart

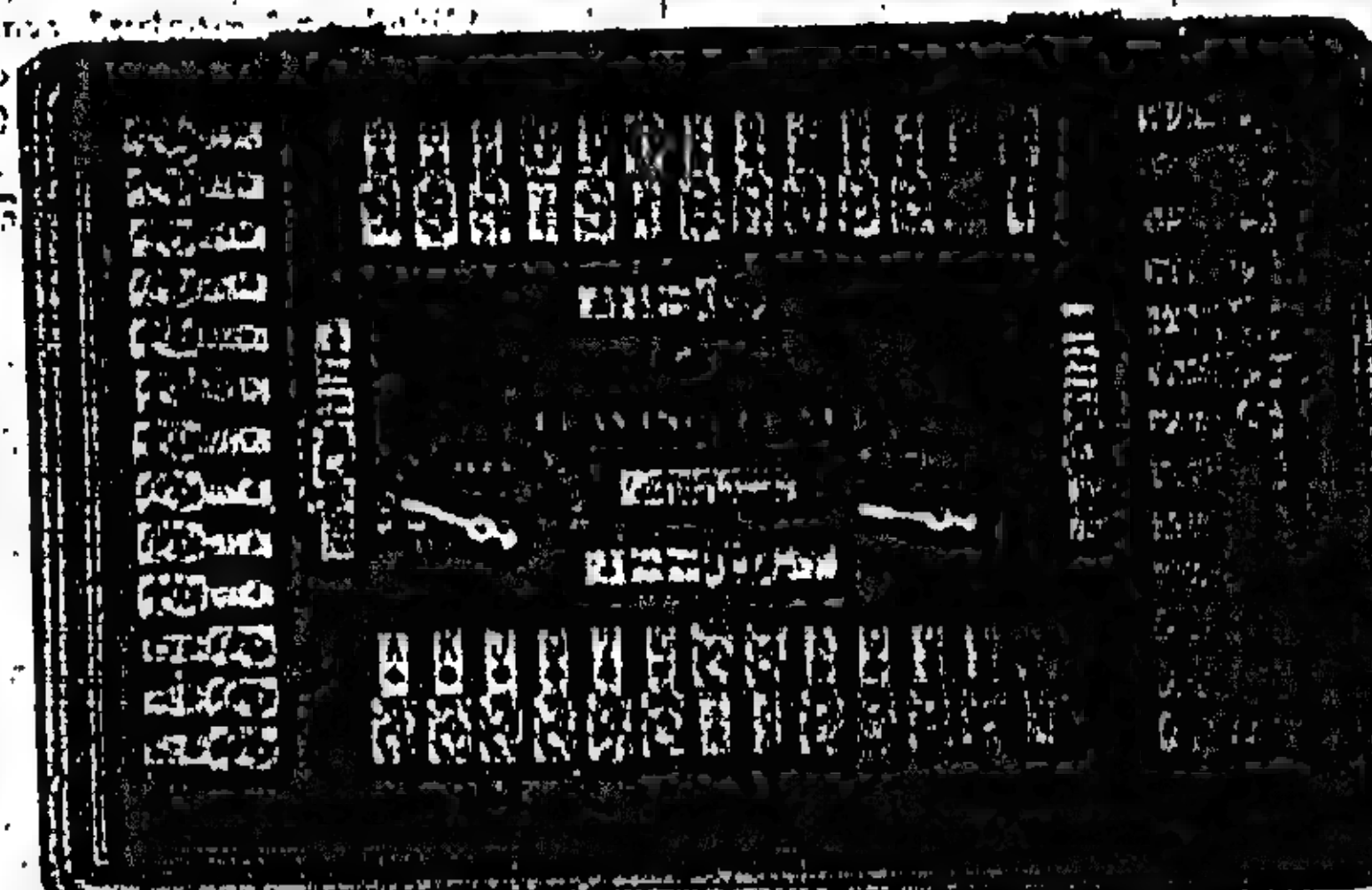
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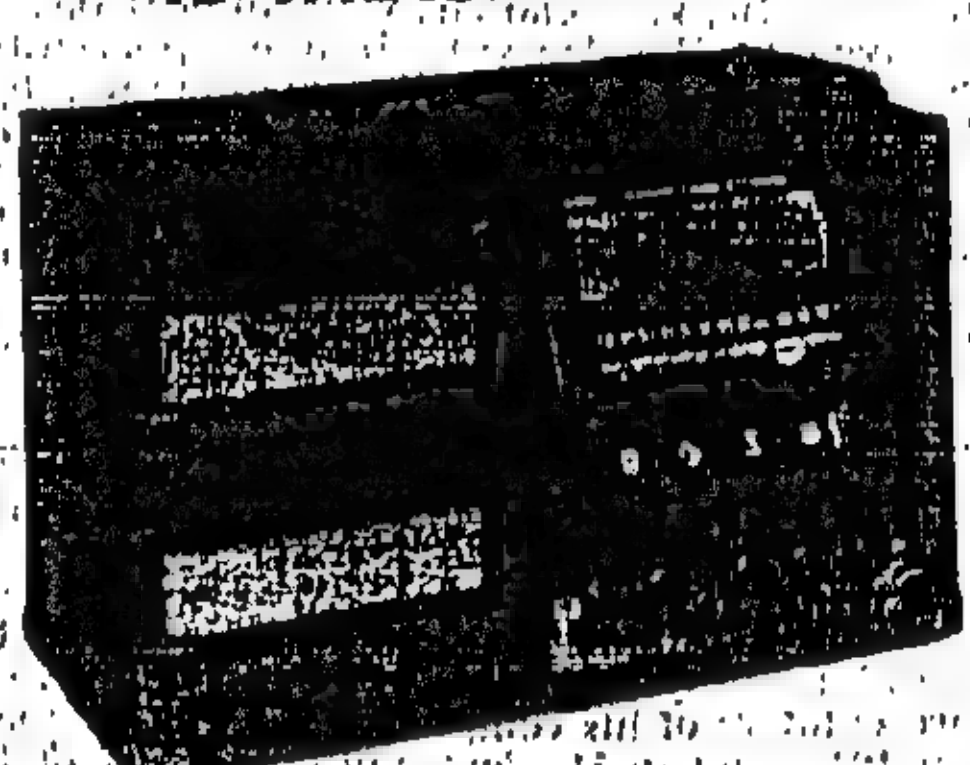
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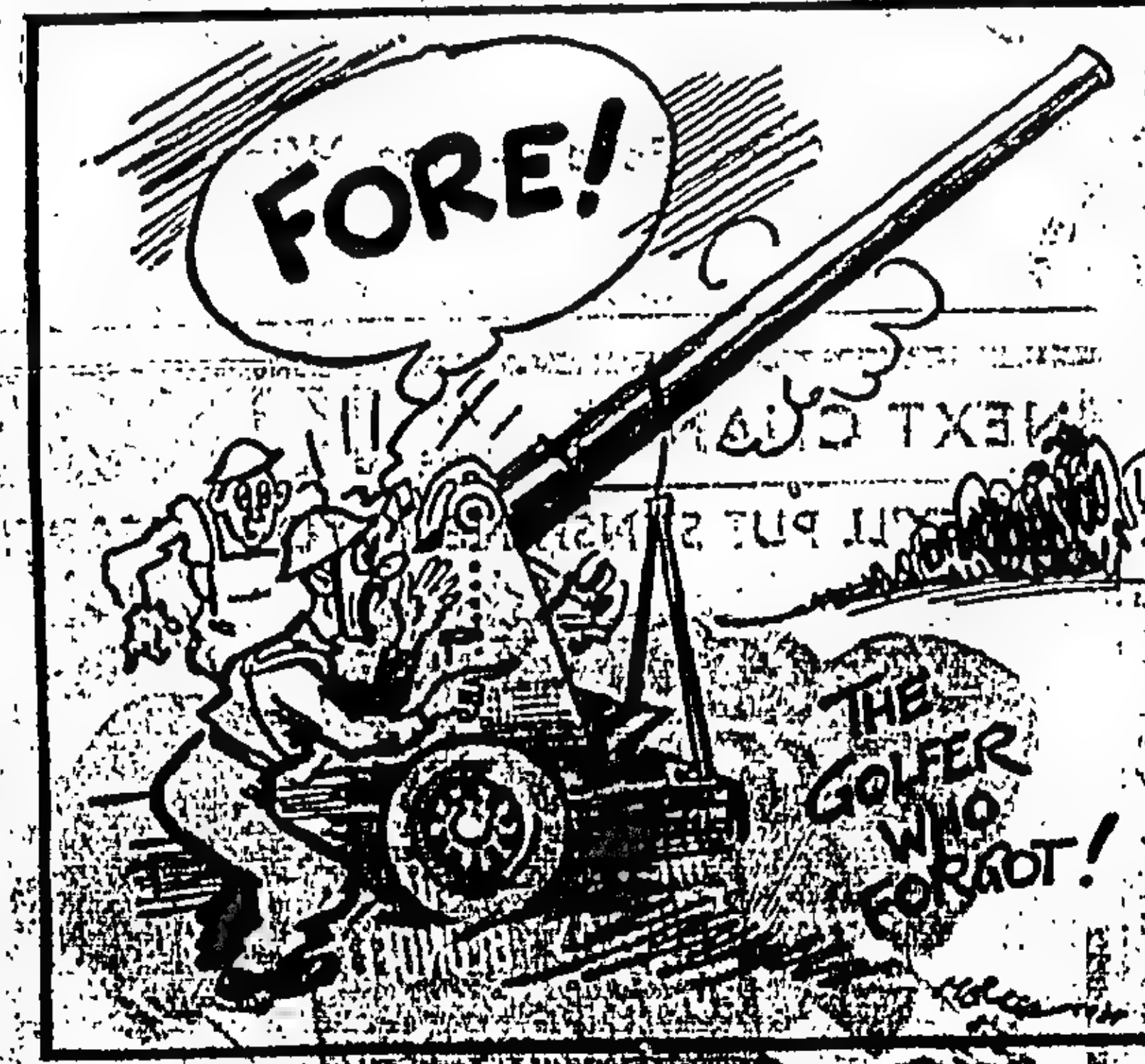
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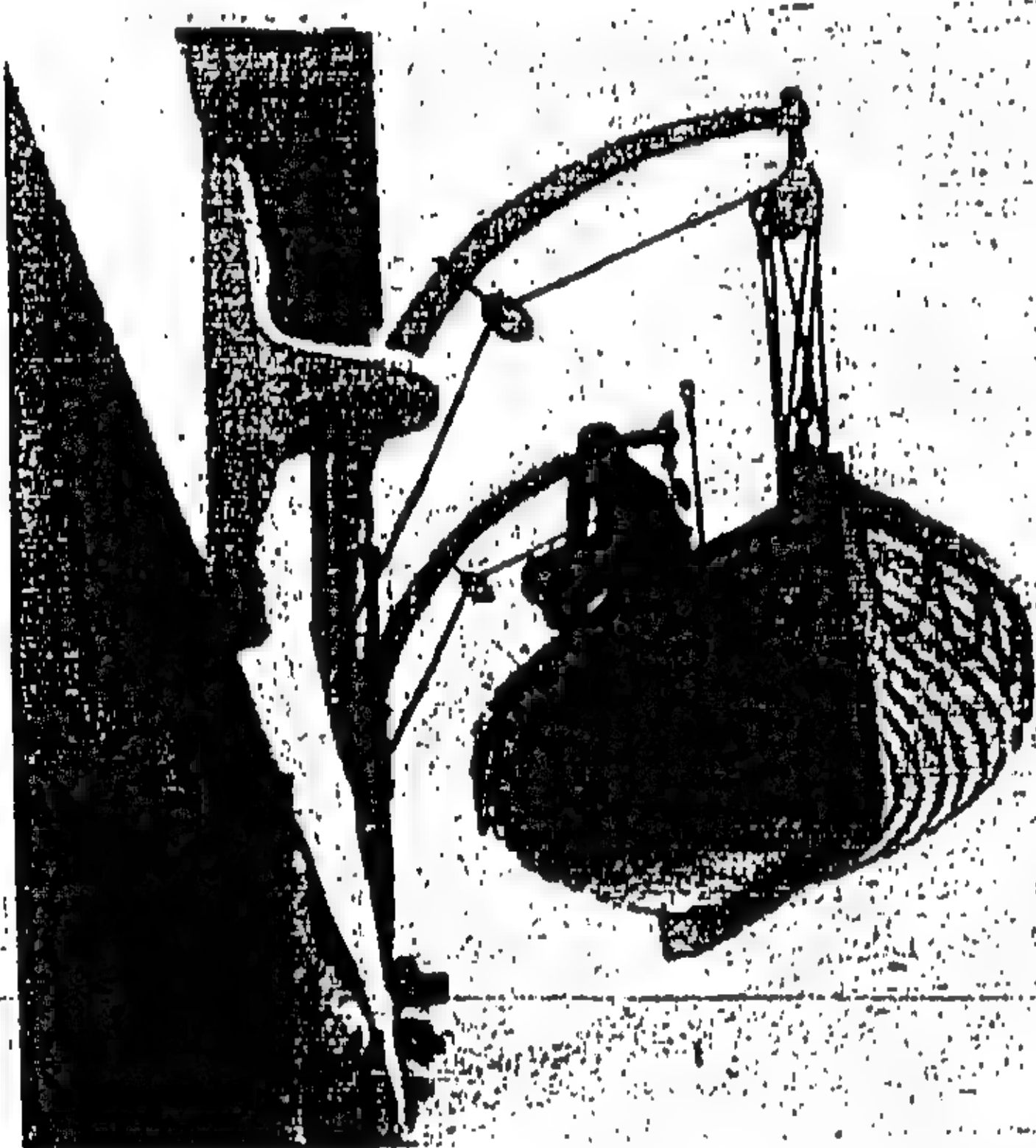




# Exclusive Pictures of Fatshan Rescues



PASSENGERS ON THE DECK of the Fatshan, ready for any emergency as the ship rushes to beach on Lin Tin Island. The passengers were, as shown in the photograph, all lifebelted until the danger was past.

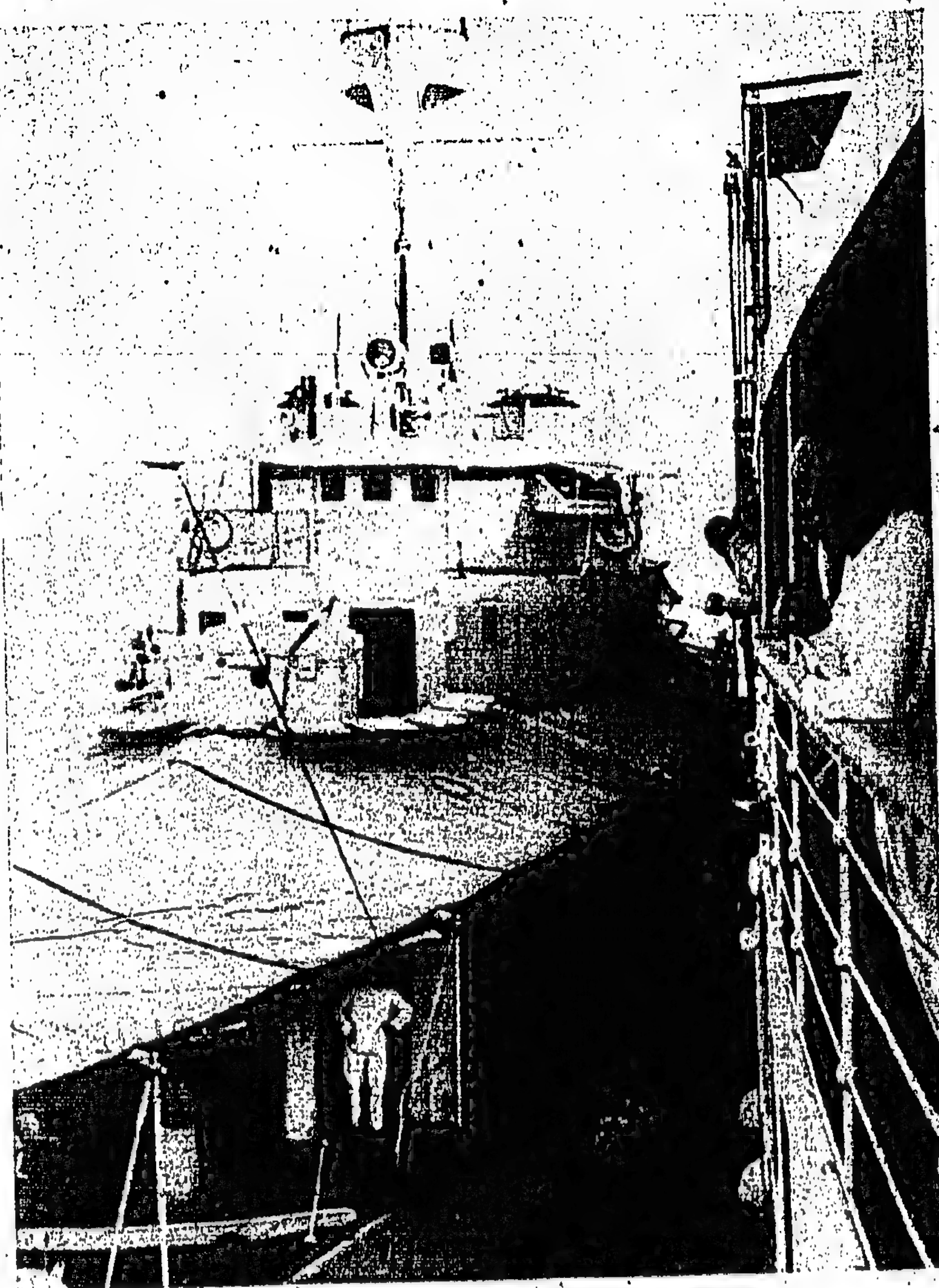


PREPARING to lower one of the Fatshan's lifeboats. The aid given by the Royal Navy rendered it unnecessary to use the lifeboats.

ONE OF THE PASSENGERS aboard the Fatshan was Mrs. G. F. Hole, wife of the Hongkong Harbour Master. Mrs. Hole is shown here with her lifebelt strapped on.



THE GROUNDED FATSHAN, photographed from the deck of the rescue steamer Kinshan, to whom passengers were transferred by a British gunboat. It is stated that there was six feet of water in the holds of the Fatshan when she was beached.



A BRITISH GUNBOAT coming alongside the Fatshan to take off the passengers aboard the stranded steamer. Magnificent work was done by the Navy in transferring the 1,800 people aboard the Fatshan to the Kinshan, without a single mishap.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LAKE MORRIS

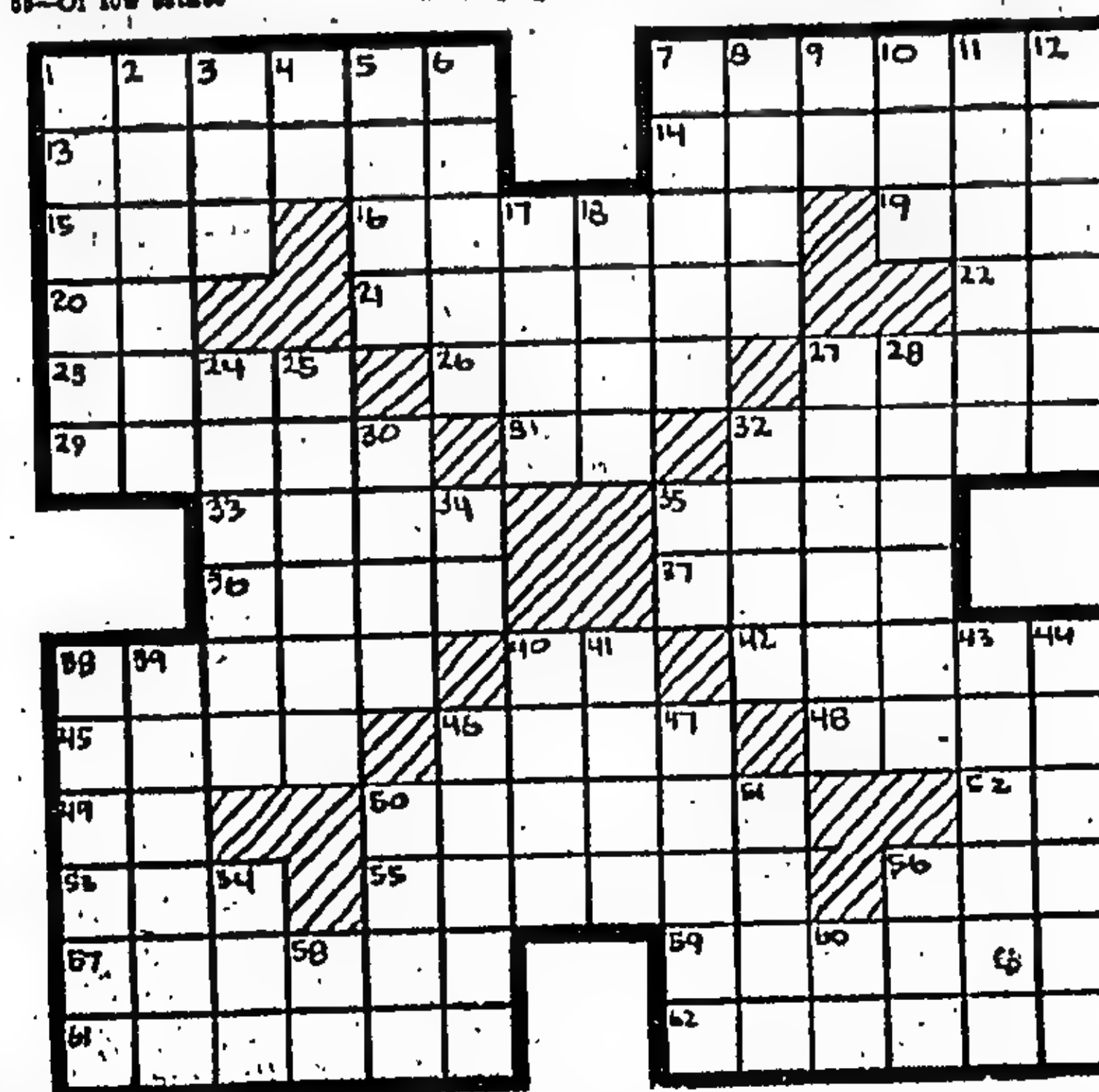
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Complainer
- Word of honor
- Battle fleet
- Prayer
- Flourishes glorie
- Abdication
- Old English seal
- Japanese money
- Alarms for special
- Only word for father
- Shaped
- Notice
- Part of plant
- Citrus fruit
- French attitude
- Cry out cheerfully
- Western state
- Relative work
- Scientific workshop
- Mixture of eggs
- Alms
- Medals-loops
- Undressed skins
- Cart bullock
- Part of fruit
- Shall
- One
- Adolescent
- Concerning
- Girl's name
- Of low estate

DOWN

- Branch of animals
- Singing bird
- Danish dialect
- Symbol: sodium
- Horse whip
- Hostile incursions
- Walls
- Kinds of talent
- Japanese measure
- One who burdens
- State lamp
- Dei
- Kind of sword
- Charm
- Maneuver
- Laminated metal
- Sound of bell
- Catch
- Shaped objects
- Former baseball
- Wares but name
- Wares use of
- Head covering
- Jugo-Slav
- True size
- Hardens
- Translucent liquid
- Lies at ease
- Ancestor of Serapis
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## Some Supper Dishes

HERE are two tested recipes for that cold meal in the evening—high tea or supper.

Both of these can easily be made in the cool of the morning.

### Veal and Ham Loaf

Take ½ lb. lean veal, 2 oz. lean ham, ¼ lb. sausage meat, 2 oz. white bread crumbs, 1 egg, milk, seasoning, ground cloves, 2 hard-boiled eggs—beetroot; parsley.

Soak the breadcrumbs in milk, drain and squeeze out moisture. Pass veal and ham through the mincer, add sausage meat and breadcrumbs. Season with salt, pepper, and ground cloves.

Stir in lightly beaten egg, and mix well. Press into well-greased soufflé tin or pudding basin, cover with greased paper, and steam 1 hour.

Remove paper, and finish cooking the loaf in a moderate oven 15 minutes, but do not allow to brown. Unmould when cold.

### Fish Mould

Flake down a ½ lb. tin salmon and mix with 2 oz. breadcrumbs and 3 teaspoons chopped parsley. Season with salt and pepper.

Stir in 1 teaspoon anchovy essence, 2 oz. melted butter, and 2 well beaten eggs. Steam 1 hour, in a well-greased mould. Stand aside—with paper removed—till cold—unmould then—serve in a surround of lettuce hearts and radishes. Sprinkle centre top of mould with chopped parsley, serve mayonnaise or anchovy sauce separately.

Isobel



Streamlined and slender is this dinner gown of purple and silver lame. The beaute effect is a separate sash having a bow with loose trailing ends. The décolletage is square.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

An attractive room for the youngest in the family—washable furniture enamelled pale blue and a nursery frieze on peach pink walls.

Mothers always want ideas for trimming baby's first cot, for suggestions for the decoration and furnishing of the children's rooms, for advice about furniture which will stand up to the constant wear and tear of a growing family.

This week I will attempt to help you if you are preparing for a baby and are anxious

to have everything ready for his arrival, or if you already have a baby of toddler age to plan for.

### Dainty Scheme

We are going to use the small bedroom over the hall as a nursery for baby. Can you suggest a colour scheme?

THE little room will look larger if you have walls, ceiling and woodwork the same light colour. I suggest shell pink, using flat oil paint for walls and ceiling and glossy paint for woodwork. Natural brown cork carpet

## THOUGHTS IN A QUIET CORNER

by Minnie Pallister

I AWAKENED in the morning feeling that the world was all wrong. Freak storms, thunder, and every kind of queer weather which our country sometimes indulges in, had made my head thundery too.

I thought of all the mean things that had been done to me right back to childhood days; I remembered all the times when I had been left with more than my share of worry and responsibility; all the stupid things I had done, and all the times when I had shirked duty and been selfish and shallow and not played up.

I got hotter and hotter, more and more disgusted with myself and the world. Then I tumbled out of bed, and before I did anything else, I went out into the garden.

It is such a little one, but there were a few ripe berries to be picked, a few sticks to be put in to support the snapdragons. The earth seemed after the heavy thunder rain, in the morning sun, every leaf was glistening, the roses were still sweet.

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Standing there I felt all the brooding thoughts slipping away, as the rain-drops were disappearing in the sun.

Into my mind came the picture of the first man walking with God in the days when the world was a garden, and wondered how many millions of people since then had met Him in a garden, and regained their sense of

values and been able to face life again. At holiday time there is extra bustle and rush, but all the year round these quiet times are needed if we are not to grow feverish and fretful.

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People find them in different ways and places. Some crawl into a quiet country church, others go to their own room and "shut the door," others must climb to the mountain top or meet the wind on the open moor, others fly to the beds and borders with the weeds always waiting to be removed and the flowers bringing their message of beauty.

Often I find mine when I am washing the dishes at the open window of the kitchen which looks out on the old church, it stands against the sky, a church with a Saxon foundation.

There, as I do one of the most satisfying jobs in the world, making things clean and bright again after their use has taken away their gloss and shine, I find my fretting and fuming being washed away.

I am ready to begin another day, hoping that in it there will be at least some gold of help given and duty done. It doesn't matter where or how, somewhere, in any of the things must be the little lull, the quiet time, or the soul will shrivel and die.

## Time For Toasting

WHAT is your favourite toast? Sprinkle a little paprika over a slice of French toast is worth a garnish.

Toasted sandwiches made with thin slices of white bread, butter them, and spread generously with a layer of light brown sugar and cinnamon. The proportion is two tablespoons of cinnamon to half a cup of sugar.

Match the slices up to make neat by spreading potted ham on round sandwiches and cut into two or three strips. Toast on each side, and serve.

If you have any curry "fans" in the family, treat them to devilled toast. Melt an ounce of butter in a saucepan and add an ounce of minced onion, a dessertspoonful of fry using ox kidney. Cook gently with a little chopped chutney and a chutney, a pinch of dry mustard, salt, and pepper. Spread with the mixture on hot buttered toast and slip into the oven for a minute or so.

Mushrooms on Toast

Mushrooms on toast can transform an ordinary meal. Butter some circles of toast, and on each place a mushroom, veiled and stemmed. Add a little salt and pepper for interest, and decorate each mushroom with a small knob of butter. Put the toast with its cargo of mushrooms on a dish and cover with a large basin inverted. Bake for twenty minutes, leaving the basin on the whole time, as this helps to retain that gorgeous aroma that cooked mushrooms have.

For the children, allow golden syrup or rich black treacle to soak into the toast while still hot, or spread buttered toast with moist brown sugar or soft pink spread sugar. As a special treat, spread crisp cold toast with a paste of baked apple and a spot of cream beaten together instead of butter. Look out for second helpings!

W. D. Madge Whitley

### Chocolate Apples

HERE is a reasonable sweet making a special appeal to children. Peel some large apples thinly, remove their cores, and a little sugar and bake in a slow oven till soft. Meanwhile, grate and melt two or three bars of cooking chocolate, add a few drops of syrup from the apples. Bring nearly to the boil, stirring well, and pour over the apples in a shallow dish.

Serve very hot.

COUNT THE "TELEGRAPHS" EVERYWHERE

Janet Jay suggests—

## Peach Pink .. Sky Blue for Baby's Room

would be a good floor covering, with a blue and pink rug.

Drain the window with shell pink nylon curtains (these soften the light when baby has his afternoon nap), with flowered or nursery chintz curtains to draw at night.

The cot could be trimmed with the pink nylon, and the only other furniture you should need at present is a low nursing chair and a small white-wood chest which could be left its natural colour and waxed or enamelled pale blue.

of those glass wind bells which tinkle in a breeze.

### "Snow White" Design

We are redecorating our little girl's bedroom, and she has asked for a "Snow White" scheme. Where can I get these pictures?

THERE is a very pretty Snow White nursery frieze which looks well on pale blue or cream walls. Place it about four feet above the skirting, so that your little girl can see the detail in the pictures.

She would also like curtains and bedspread with a Snow White design; you can get this in washable chintz or cretonne with a pale blue, pink or cream ground. Fuller details of the frieze and curtain material have been sent you by post.

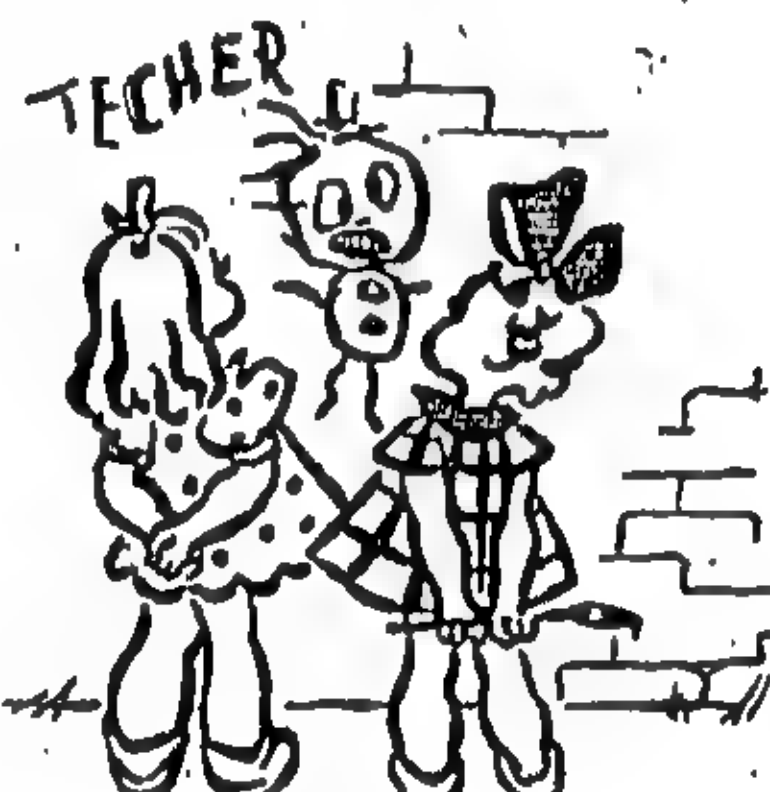
### Playtime Problem

Keeping the living room tidy is my problem. We have three small boys and no space for a separate playroom.

YOU might find a corner in the living room for a small cupboard where they can keep their toys and books. Cupboards in white wood, fitted with shelves, can be bought cheaply and look well if stained and polished to fit in with the general colour scheme in the room.

Make a rule that toys must be put away by the boys themselves before bedtime. It would also be a good plan to give them a table on which they can paint or play games without having to worry about stray paint splashes or dabs of plasticine.

### MIDGE: Artist



"Do you think this does her justice?"

## For Table Decoration

A DELIGHTFUL way to enhance your dinner table is to fold the table napkins into intriguing shapes such as water lilies, muffs, and fans. They are very simple to carry out, but great care must be taken or the napkin will become soiled.

The fan is a simple creation. First fold the napkin in four (longways), then fold it across the breadth, commencing at one end and folding from end to yourself in folds nearly two inches broad; hold the napkin firmly in the left hand with the end with the two doubled edges up; then with the right hand pull down the inside folds to make right-angles with the top. Turn the napkin in the hand and do the same with the inside folds on the other side. This makes two rows of points, one point coming between two others.

The fan looks best when placed upright in a tumbler.

To make the muff the napkin must be folded in four (square not cornerways); then place it with the four corners at the bottom. Roll up the corners one after the other until you have four rolls, the first of which must come just beyond the middle. Now fold the two ends under and turn the napkin round like a muff, tucking the point under the rolls.

For the water lily you fold the corners of the napkin into the centre four times in all. All you have to do then is to pull back the corners a little bit and pull up the petals.

K. J.

### White Angel Cake

THIS is a good recipe to try when you have egg-whites left over.

Beat two ounces of butter to a cream with four ounces of caster sugar. Stir in a gill of milk by degrees, and keep stirring until the mixture is smooth. Then fold in five ounces of flour, sifted with a teaspoonful of baking powder, and a pinch of salt, two ounces of finely-chopped peel, a teaspoonful of caraway seeds (if liked), and, last, two stiffly-whisked whites of egg.

Turn the mixture at once into a lined tin and bake for one and a quarter hour in a moderate oven.

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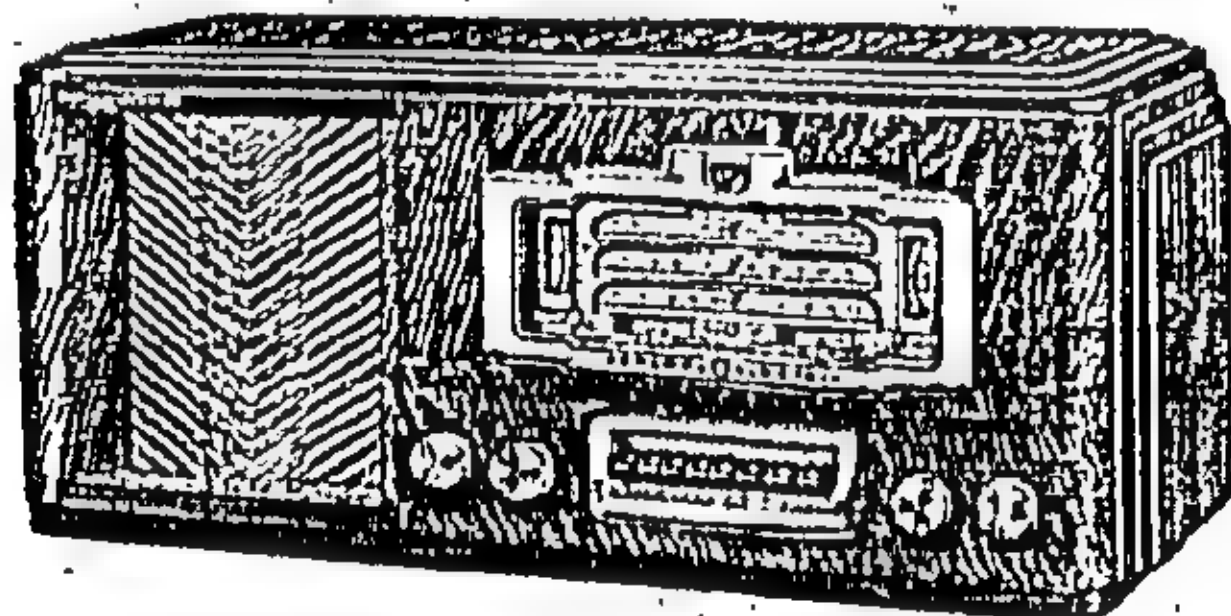


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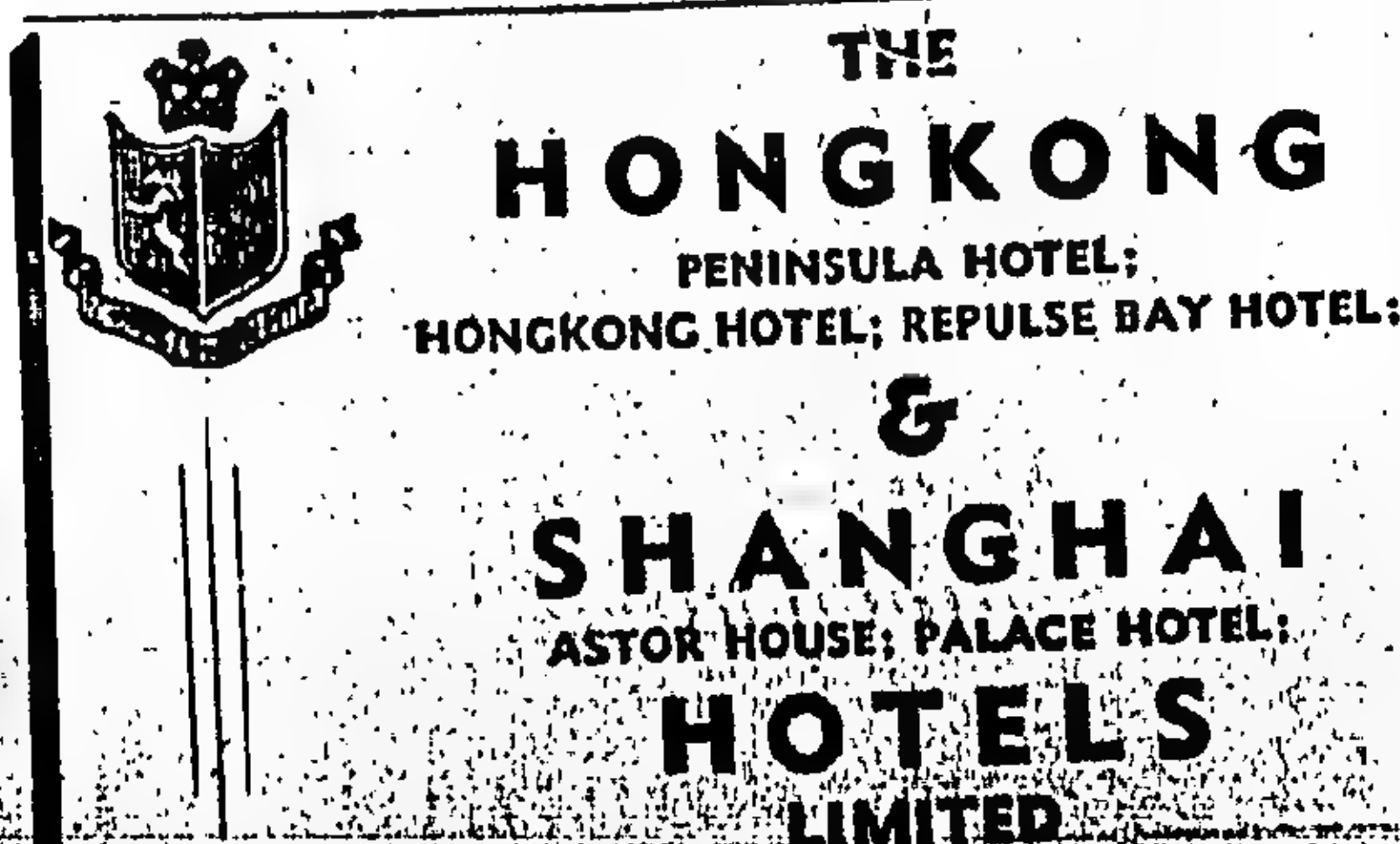
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## WHAT WOULD YOU TAX

A LOT of Hongkong people believe that they know how to raise the extra money that will be needed by the Hongkong Government next year.

But they are quite definite about income tax.

Out of all the letters and post-cards received by the "Telegraph" yesterday afternoon and early this morning, not one was in favour of this form of taxation.

The opinion of readers will be published from day to day in the "Telegraph." Those received were submitted in response to an article which appeared in yesterday's issue asking readers to suggest the best methods for raising taxation in the Colony.

Other readers are asked to submit suggestions and to mark, with a tick, the items in the table accompanying this article they think should be taxed.

So far, most readers have voted for additional taxation on wines, beers and spirits and on club and other sweeps.

Others believe that house racing and bachelors should be heavily taxed.

Quite a large number of readers suggested the institution of Government lotteries. This is one possible form of taxation which was not suggested yesterday.

Cigarettes, perfumes, luxury articles and increased entertainment tax are also suggested.

One reader, the only one who could be considered as favouring income tax, believes that income tax would be "sound, logical and inevitable" but that Government blundered.

It dropped too heavily on the professional man who regards himself as a labourer getting his living by personal exertion. If Government had eased up on the middle-class and gone for the unearned wealth there would have been no kick except from the millionaires.

The size of the contribution to the Imperial Government is also unreasonable. We have our own defence costs. Take a look at the Financial Minutes published by you today.

E. D. W. wants to see Government economise by getting down the present cost of administration, which he considers is too high.

E. C. also thinks that Government is spending far too much on the cost of administration.

N.B.: "Government should institute a lottery of the type run in Queensland where the entire hospital system is run from this form."

A.B.W.: "Put additional taxation on property owners. They are the people who have swollen the cost of living in the Colony. But if they are taxed, Government must see that they do not pass it on."

N.W.: "I think the only real way of obtaining the large sum of money the Government needs for defence purposes is through a lottery. All other gambling such as horse racing, club sweeps and stock exchange profits should also be heavily taxed."

A.M.: "Luxuries should bear the brunt of new taxation. Perfumes, beer, wine and spirits, tobacco, cigarettes, motor-cars and sporting articles and yachts should be amongst the first taxed."

The majority of readers contented themselves with filling in the form published in the "Telegraph" yesterday.

Those who forward suggestions to-day are invited to add comments on their reasons for proposing new forms of taxation for opposing any old or proposed forms of taxation. A further selection of letters will be published to-morrow.

The King Receives Sir Eric Phipps

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuters).—His Majesty the King to-day received in audience at Buckingham Palace Sir Eric Phipps on his relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador to Paris.

Later Sir Eric and Lady Phipps dined with the King and Queen.

His Majesty also received Colonel Denys Reilly, the South African Minister for Native Affairs, who is the first Dominion Minister to arrive in London for the pending Empire Conference.



GENERAL LI CHUNG-JEN, Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangsi forces, interrogates a young Kwangsi girl in uniform, visibly proud of the fact that she is being addressed by such a famous army leader.

## More Recruits Sought For Maintenance Of War Supplies

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuters).—The war Office announces that recruiting will be open to-morrow for a new corps of men between 35 and 50, to be known as the Auxiliary Military Pioneers Corps, which will ensure the proper maintenance of supplies to the armies at home and abroad.

The announcement says that a vast amount of stores have to be handled and to ensure smooth transportation, the lines of communication must be maintained in a fit condition.

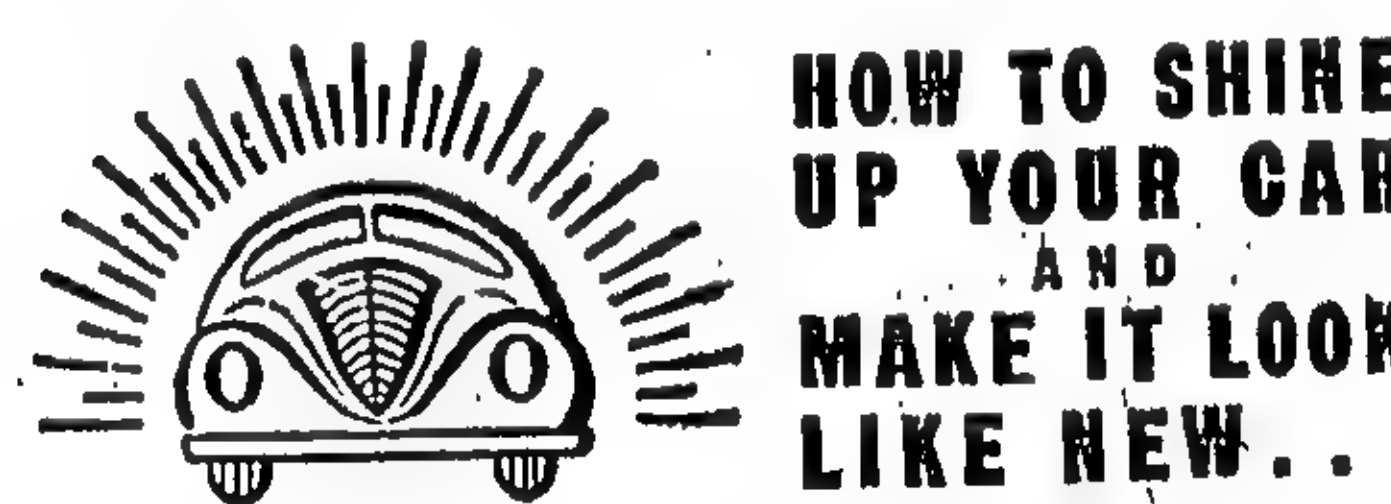
## BULGARIA TO GO TO THE POLLS

SOFIA, Oct. 25 (Reuters).—The new Government has ordered the dissolution of Parliament which is due to meet on Saturday.

A general election is promised in December.

The Government's step is no surprise as it is thought it would probably have been defeated if it had met in Parliament.

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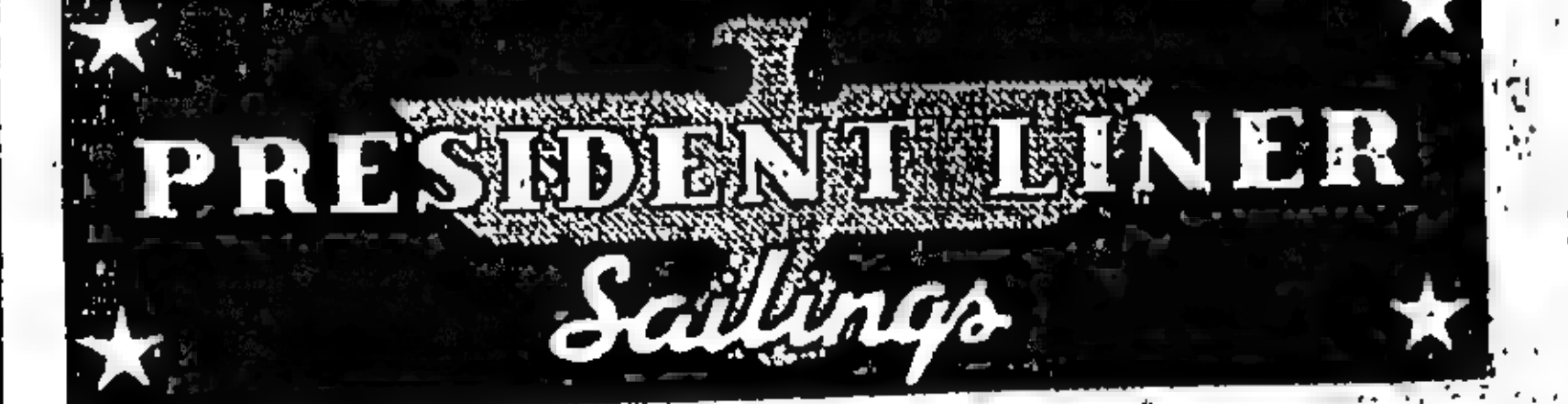
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## London 'News-Chronicle' Says Soviet & Germany Agree to New Demands

# ULTIMATUMS TO DENMARK & NORWAY REPORTED PENDING

## PARTITION OF RUMANIA SAID PART OF PLAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, OCT. 26 (UP).—THE "NEWS-CHRONICLE" PUBLISHES A DESPATCH FROM BERLIN STATING THAT SOVIET RUSSIA HAS REACHED AN AGREEMENT WITH GERMANY REGARDING THE SCANDINAVIAN STATES.

Under this agreement, the report claims, Soviet Russia will present an ultimatum to Sweden and Denmark, demanding that the ports of Gothenburg and Karlskrona be placed at the disposal of the Soviet Navy.

The report adds that the Kremlin has not yet decided when the ultimatum will be sent to the two Scandinavian countries.

A decision is expected, however, within the next few days.

## M.T.B. SAVED BY FORT GUNFIRE

### Live Shot Fired Across Bows

QUICK-WITTEDNESS and a remarkably fine piece of work on the part of the garrison at one of the forts in Hongkong this morning saved a Motor Torpedo Boat from possible destruction.

According to an official statement issued to the "Telegraph," this afternoon, the Motor Torpedo Boat was racing directly towards one of the dangerous areas notified in "Government Gazette" recently.

Officers in the fort watched the vessel racing towards what appeared to be certain destruction without being able to draw the attention of the craft to its danger.

When it appeared that the craft was so close to the dangerous area that she had to be stopped at all cost, the order was given to a gun crew to fire a live round of ammunition across the ship's bows.

The shell exploded a few feet in front of the torpedo boat.

The signal was instantly obeyed by the naval craft, with such effect, it is stated, that an explosion occurred in the engine room.

The naval spokesman issued the following statement regarding the explosion: "Motor Torpedo Boat No. 11 was damaged this morning by a slight explosion in the engine room."

"One rating was injured."

"The motor torpedo boat has returned to harbour for repairs."

## PRINCE MICHAEL COMES OF AGE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (British Wireless).—The coming-of-age of Crown Prince Michael of Rumania is the subject of cordial notice in London where, like his father, King Carol, he has many friends.

An occasion of such import to the future of the Rumanian state would, in any case, excite sympathy here on account of friendly relations existing between Rumania and Britain, and the high value placed upon them both in official circles and in popular esteem.

## SOVIET NOTE TO BRITAIN

MOSCOW, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A Soviet note to Britain declares that the British list of contraband violates the principle of International Law, gravely impairs the interests of neutrals, and destroys international trade.

It is believed, says the "News-Chronicle," that the Soviet's demands on Sweden and Denmark may be given precedence over proposals for the partition of Rumania, to which, it is claimed, Russia and Germany have now agreed.

The report is not confirmed from other sources.

**Finnish Precautions**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
HELSINGFORS, Oct. 25 (UP).—It is officially announced that minefields have now been extended along practically the whole of the South coast of Finland.

The minefields are considered to be one of the most important links in Finnish defences.

Only three entrances are now open to the Gulf of Finland, one of which is at Helsingfors.

The mined area stretches from Uto Island in the Baltic to Styrdal in the eastern section of the Gulf.

## STRICKEN WARSAW

### Demand For Dead Dogs As Food

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An appalling account of the conditions in Warsaw was given to "Reuter" by a neutral observer who has just arrived from there.

This observer declared that dead dogs are in the greatest demand for human food. A dog cost nearly 10 shillings.

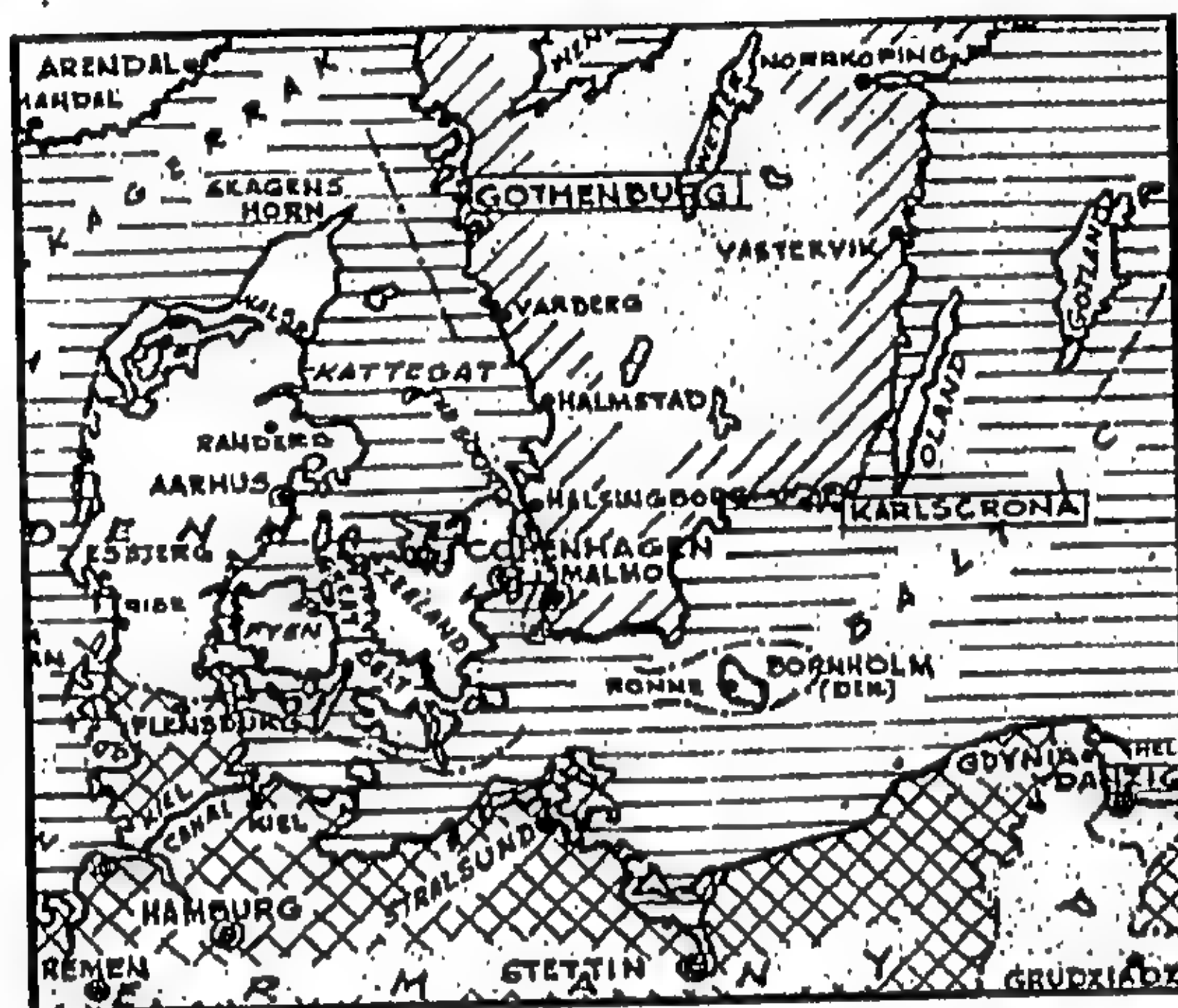
**Indescribable Misery**  
The general misery of the city is indescribable. Many of the most prominent buildings and thoroughfares are totally destroyed. There are no electric lights, water, or trams; only a bus line is running.

All the shops are closed and the publication of all newspapers is suspended, but the Germans are running their own newspaper.

M. Starzynski, the heroic mayor, and other members of the Civil Committee which were charged with the defence of the city to the last, are being held as hostages by the Germans.

**Rebellious Inhabitants**  
M. Starzynski is carrying out his duties in the Town Hall under German surveillance.

The deathlike quiet of the city is only broken at night-time by revolver shots exchanged by German soldiers and the still rebellious inhabitants.



## AMAZING GERMAN PLAN TO HELP CHINA REVEALED

### Captured British War Materials In Return For Raw Materials

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Oct. 25 (UP).—British and French war materials captured by the Germans on the Western Front will be used by China in the war against Japan.

This agreement is reported to have been reached by the Russo-German Economic Mission, now in conference in Berlin, according to official reports reaching Paris.

## SILVER IS BANNED

### Rise In Price May Follow London Move

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Board of Trade has announced that an order has been issued, prohibiting the importation, except under licence, of silver bullion or foreign silver coins.

The measure is presumably designed to protect Sterling.

**TUNG**  
It will, however, have a drastic effect on Japan, who has been a very heavy shipper of silver to London this year.

Wall Street interest will also be discouraged from shipping silver.

Additionally, the embargo will curtail the sterling market for Australian silver, a possible Canadian surplus and the output from the British-owned silver mines in Burma.

The London Market has taken the embargo calmly. Whether the new ruling will "freeze" the silver market depends on the freedom with which import licences are granted.

The first effect will be to increase the demand. Prices, therefore, will probably rise.

**The Stock Exchange**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Gilt-edged securities, Kaffirs and Tens were the best features at today's active markets.

Oil also strengthened in the late session, particularly Mexican Eagles, while Mexican Government bonds were also firm.

Wall Street was strong.

The arrangement specifies that Germany will dispose of captured British and French war materials—artillery, machine-guns, munitions, rifles and uniforms—to China, through Soviet Russia.

Germany will be permitted to select the best tanks, howitzers, anti-tank guns, anti-aircraft guns and machine-guns.

The surplus will be available for China's war against Germany's former ally, Japan.

In exchange for this war materials, China will furnish all available supplies of iron, tungsten and other mineral ores to Germany.

The supplies from both directions will be carried by the Russian railway system and across Poland by trucks.

## RAID WARNINGS IN BRITAIN

### New System To Be Adopted

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It has been decided that local air raid warnings are not safe.

Future warnings for the whole of Britain will therefore be sounded by the Commander-in-Chief of the Fighter Command.

It is pointed out that warnings send thousands of people hurrying to shelter.

In many cases, enemy aircraft are only reconnaissance planes, which carry no bombs.

Under the old system, a mistake might be made.

People will instead be told to hurry to shelter only when they hear guns firing.

## SHIPPING WAR LOOMS IN EAST

### Ocean Greyhounds For The Pacific

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Oct. 25 (Domei).—A war between ocean greyhounds is looming on the Pacific routes between America and Canada and the Far East and Australasia.

Tokyo believes that severe international competition for Pacific trade will develop as Japanese, American and Canadian shipping lines withdraw their ships from the Atlantic to the Pacific as a result of the European War.

American neutrality legislation will also favour intensification of competition between Pacific ports.

Japan has already announced its intention of intensifying operations in the Pacific and is making a big bid to capture trade formerly held by Great Britain and the United States.

Three new 20,000-ton liners which were originally scheduled for employment on the London-Tokyo route are to be diverted to the Hongkong-San Francisco route. They are the Nittin Maru, the Hochimaru Maru and the Kasuga Maru.

Japan also has under construction three new 12,000-ton liners which will be employed on the Tokyo-Hongkong-Australia route in place of the Kitano Maru, Aburatsubo Maru and Kamo Maru.

## Loud Speakers Blare Over No-Man's Land

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Nazis are going full blast with propaganda outbursts from the German trenches on the Western Front.

To-day they turned on loud-speakers from the front-lines.

The reaction of French soldiers opposite consisted of heavy bursts of machine-gun fire, followed by the shout "Now perhaps you will understand we are not interested."

The 194th. Official French communiqué says: "Our reconnaissance patrols, as well as those of the enemy, showed continuous activity throughout the day."

"Our forces also threw back a German detachment in the Moselle region."

**Hitler Confers**

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Hitler held another conference with high-ranking officers in Berlin to-day.

Conferences of this sort have been so numerous during the past few days that it seems the Nazi Government is still in a state of indecision.

Meanwhile the Nazi Press continues to breathe fire and slaughter.

Headlines this morning were "Battle," "With Arms," "The Sword Will Decide."

This supports the theory that Hitler will now start aerial and naval warfare.

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## DID HE SING "UMBRELLA MAN"



THE PREMIER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

"Moo-moo-moo-moo!"  
Passers-by in Downing Street had reasonable cause for agitation.

For strange sounds have been issuing from No. 10, the home of the Prime Minister, during the past few days.

"United Press" has cleared up the mystery.

Mr. Chamberlain, says a despatch from London, has taken up singing as a relaxation from the worries of office.

And, says the message, he has a mighty fine voice.

The Premier sings negro spirituals in a fine baritone voice.

Those intimate with his household say that he learned the songs when he was in the Bahamas with his step-brother Austin in the early Twenties.

Mr. Chamberlain doesn't sing the latest song hit in London—"Well, Hang On, Washington on the Siegfried Line."

## America To Vote On War Service

### Isolationist Bid For Referendum

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (U.P.).—America's Isolationist group, led by Senator La Follette, intend to introduce an amendment to the Neutrality Act, providing for a national Referendum before any Congressional declaration can be made to send American soldiers to foreign battlefields.

This is one of the most controversial subjects connected with the Neutrality legislation and will most certainly inject a lively atmosphere to the debate now under way.

Senator La Follette's amendment provides for a national poll on the simple question: "Can American soldiers be sent abroad to enter the fighting lines?"

"Any Senator or member of the House of Representatives who gives any weight to the wishes of his constituents will certainly give this amendment his careful consideration before voting against it," Senator La Follette said.

"The only country in the world rendering it obligatory on the Government to conduct a referendum of the people before men can be conscripted for service abroad is Australia. In the last war Australia held two conscription referendums and on both occasions rejected the proposal. Australia is therefore the only country in which conscription was not enforced."

**Victory Conceded**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—Isolationists concede that the Administration has about 80 votes for the passage of the Neutrality Bill.

Meanwhile, there are 25 amendments, of which 22 were presented under the authorship of Senator Scott Lucas, are mostly technical.

An amendment by Senator Champ Clark to prohibit armed belligerent merchantmen from entering United States ports, except in emergencies.

The House of Representatives Rules Committee will probably meet on Monday to consider debate procedure.

## LATEST

## D.S.T. Bill In Council

The First Reading of the Bill to provide for Daylight Saving Time in Hongkong if and when Government deems it necessary was taken in Legislative Council this afternoon.

Government's original plan to pass the Bill through all stages this afternoon was abandoned, due, it is believed, to the possibility that one or two Unofficials may voice opposition to the measure.

"The measure does not commit the Colony to any change of time or to a decision in favour of any change," the Attorney General said, in moving the first reading. "If it is desired to alter the time forward or backward, it can be done by formal resolution instead of by altering the Ordinance."

**British Ships Sunk**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
GIBRALTAR, Oct. 25 (UP).—The British steamship "Tafra" was sunk on Tuesday, 80 miles west of Gibraltar.

The enemy have also sunk the British steamer Clan Chisholm off the Spanish coast.

Eighteen Europeans and 60 Lascars were saved. But 20 Lascars are reported missing.

**Berlin Reticence**  
BERLIN, Oct. 25 (UP).—The German Foreign Office has informed the United Press that they expect further details regarding the City of Flint next Thursday.

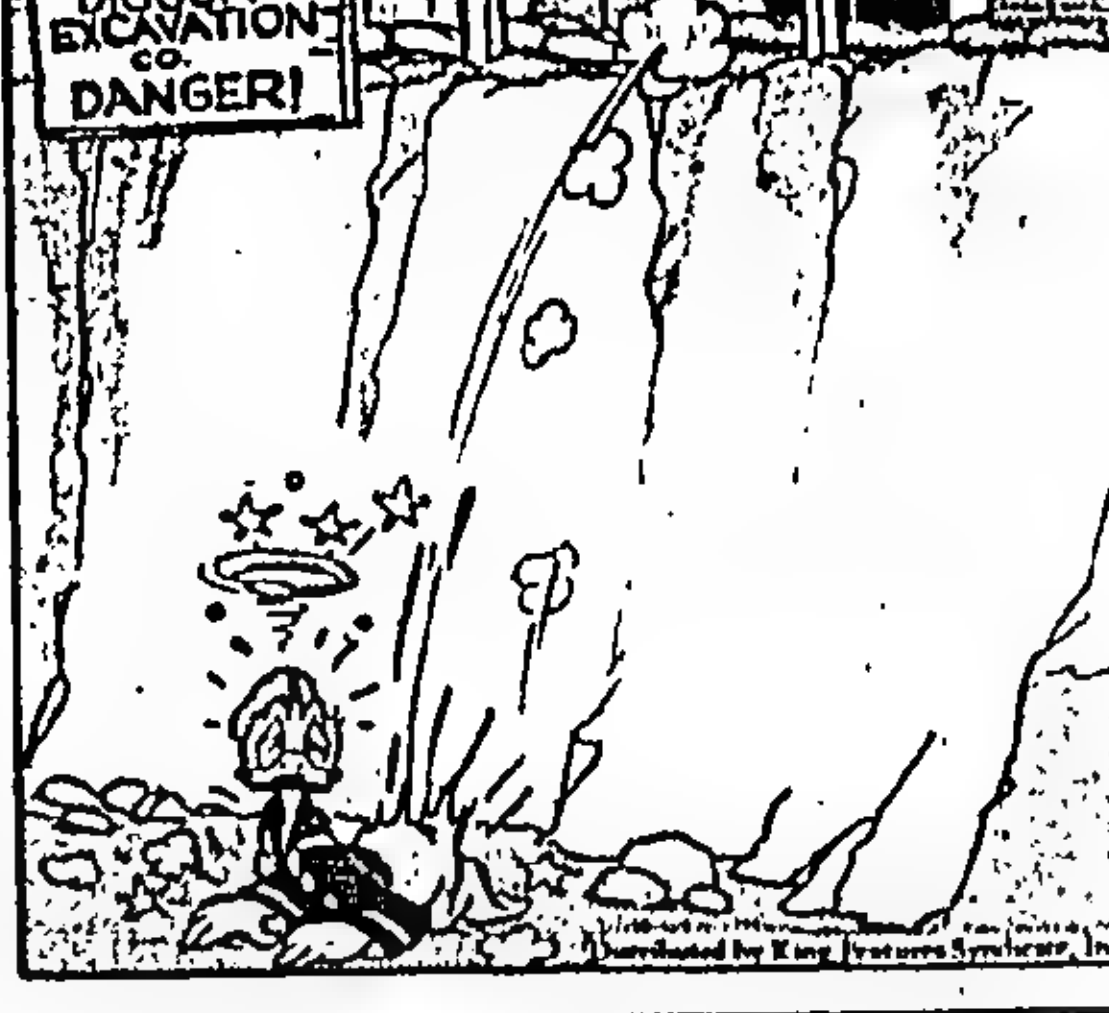
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# COLONY NEWSPAPER QUOTED BY BERLIN

## Why South Africa Is In The War

Powerful Broadcast  
By Col. Reitz

LONDON, Oct. 25 (British Wire-  
less).—Colonel Reitz, the South  
African Native Affairs Minister,  
in an Empire broadcast from  
London to-day, referred to the  
forthcoming presence in London  
of dominion Ministers which, he  
said, would give great service  
to the common cause and proof  
not only of imperial solidarity  
but also to realisation of the  
fate awaiting the smaller nations  
in the event of a Nazi victory.

South Africa was especially un-  
der no delusion; her strategic position, her  
small white population and the fact  
she produced three-quarters of the  
world's gold supply, made sure that  
she would be the "first to go under"  
should Germany succeed.

Than And Now

Col. Reitz, after dealing with the  
fundamental distinctions between  
South Africa and other dominions in  
race and language, said: "In the past  
we fought two bitter wars against  
the British. I myself, who am  
speaking to you this afternoon,  
served three years under arms  
against the British Empire, and I  
went into exile in a strange land  
rather than serve under the British  
flag. I mention these things to show  
you the difference between our own  
past and that of other dominions.  
"But a generosity unknown in the  
history has conferred on us an even  
greater measure of liberty than we  
enjoyed under our own former re-  
public. To-day as a voluntary  
partner in the British Common-  
wealth, we are not only free but are  
far safer than we could hope to be if  
we were on our own with the smash-  
and-grab policy which is now trying  
to dominate the world."

Neutrality Disgrace

Passing to events in south Africa  
in the outbreak of war, the Minister  
said many African-speaking peo-  
ples favoured at first neutrality but  
the position is rapidly improving be-  
cause it realises that a neutral South  
Africa would be disgraced. South  
Africa would be at the mercy of  
Germany, who would strip from her  
Southwest Africa, which South  
African troops captured in 1915.

"We have achieved liberty, pro-  
gress and security within the four  
corners of the Empire, and we are  
of going to exchange the substance  
of what we possess for the shadows  
that would await us without."

## Arab Support For Allies

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Arab  
support for the Allied cause was ex-  
pressed by the new Saudi Arabian  
Minister to Paris in an interview at  
Istanbul.

The Minister said: "All Arab  
countries are watching with great  
interest the events in Europe and  
sympathise with the Allied cause of  
justice and harmony against  
aggression.  
"All Arabs are ready to give the  
fullest support to the Allies."

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LONDON, OCT. 25 (REUTER).—THE GERMAN  
WIRELESS HAS STRESSED AN ARTICLE IN  
THE "SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST"  
REGARDING THE INDIGNATION OF THE  
CHINESE POPULATION AT THE INTRO-  
DUCTION OF INCOME TAX IN HONG-  
KONG.

A special commentary, issued in London  
to-day, states that the following points are  
relevant in this connection:

- 1.—If the paper actually wrote as reported, it shows  
the great liberty enjoyed by the Press in British  
colonies. Such a free expression of opinion would  
be inconceivable in German territory.
- 2.—Chinese British subjects in Hongkong have for  
many years held seats on the Executive and Legis-  
lative Councils. There is no question of taxation  
without representation.

## ROYAL OAK ENQUIRY

Mr. Churchill To  
Make Statement

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).  
—Mr. Winston Churchill, First  
Lord of the Admiralty, stated in  
the House of Commons to-day  
that an enquiry into the causes  
of the loss of H.M.S. Royal Oak  
will take place as speedily as  
possible.

He hopes to make a statement next  
week.

Will Have To Be Careful  
Mr. Churchill indicated that he  
would have to be very careful not to  
disclose information which might be  
of advantage to other parties.

Asked if his attention was drawn  
to the fact that he was two days in  
the vicinity of Scapa Flow, Mr.  
Churchill said: "A number of state-  
ments made by the U-boat com-  
mander were in part composed of re-  
velation of information given in this  
House and part of which had no  
relation to fact." (Laughter).

## U.S. HAS 200,000 MORE WORKLESS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).  
—The United States industrial em-  
ployment has increased by 200,000  
compared with September, according  
to the estimate made by the Secre-  
tary of Labour.

## Britons Interned In Germany

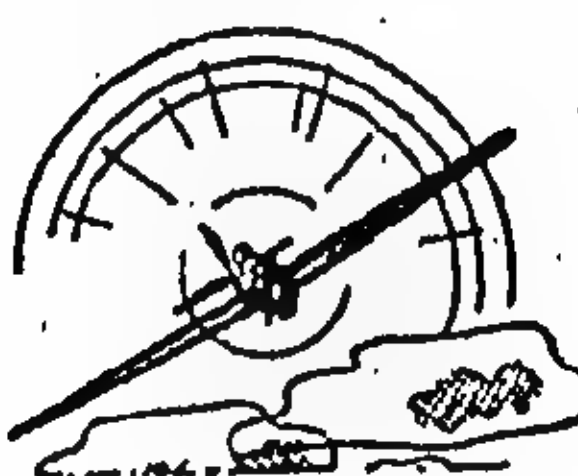
LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A  
total of 102 British civilians are in-  
terned in Germany, it was announced  
in the House of Commons to-day.  
The United States Charge d'Affaires  
in Berlin is in charge of relief  
measures where necessary.

Funds are to be sent to him so that  
he can continue his work.  
It is hoped to be able to arrange  
a more permanent scheme for in-  
terned relief.

Parcels For Prisoners

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The  
sending of parcels to British prisoners  
in Germany is under consideration.  
In the interim, arrangements have  
been completed by the Air Ministry  
and the first consignment of parcels  
for R.A.F. prisoners in Germany  
was despatched on October 20.

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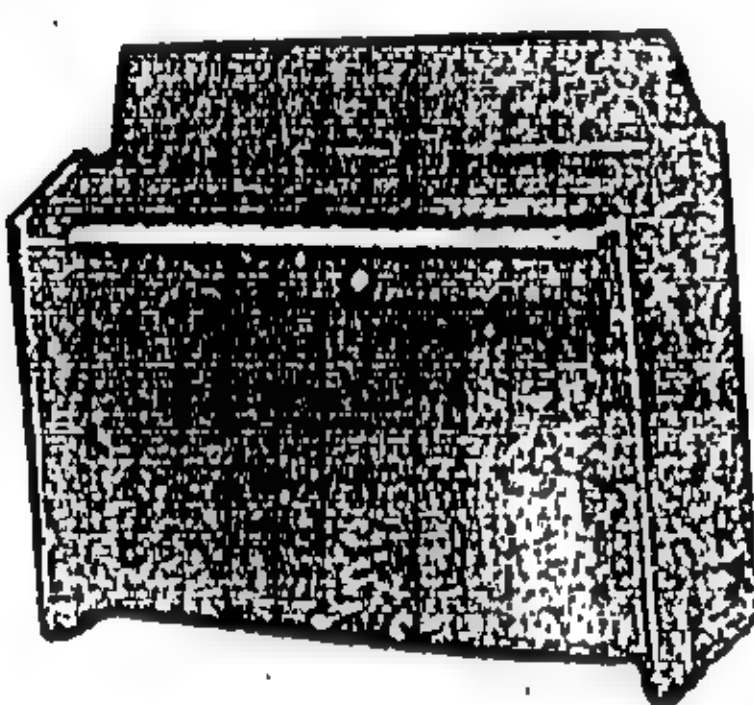
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Revenue Officer W. G. Humphreys wishes to extend thanks to all friends for their floral tributes, messages of condolence, and their attendance at the funeral; also to the staff of the Kowloon Hospital in his recent bereavement.

**The Hongkong Telegraph**  
Wyndham St., Hongkong  
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October 26, 1939

### Morale in War

THERE is nothing to be more scrupulously avoided in war than a depreciation of the power and spirit of an opponent. It is facts that count. When the last World War broke out there was no doubt of the enthusiasm of the German people. They were told and they firmly believed that they had been called upon to defend the life and freedom of the Fatherland; and they fought with a devotion which all the world acknowledged. It is doubtful if the whole German people are fired now by equal ardour.

Day after day, of late, reports have come through various channels of discontent and disorder. "Berlin is a city of sad faces. There is no wish for war, only a dull fear that it may come, and the fervent hope that it will not." That message, which comes from Brussels, might be said of any nation confronted with the dire prospect of another world war, but it may be of more significance among a people who have been fed for years upon the glories of war and been taught to look forward to it with joyful anticipation.

The food question is perhaps one of the chief causes of this reported depression. The last war was well on its way before food shortage began to make itself felt in Germany.

On this occasion shortage began even when war seemed to be on the distant horizon.

In a remarkable book, "Germany's War Chances," written a few weeks ago by a Hungarian Professor of Constitutional Law, and banned after its contents had become public property, this passage occurs: "Long before the beginning of the struggle restrictions on all sorts of foodstuffs have already been introduced. Although the masses of the German people are not starving yet in the strict sense of the word, it is none the less true that there can be no talk of their being sufficiently fed."

Such reports, and all other reports of a like nature, should be read with the utmost caution and with a liberal discount. But they need not be ignored altogether.

# G. WARD PRICE

—whose articles in the London "Daily Mail" on Nazi Germany below-the-surface are arousing exceptional interest throughout the United Kingdom—tells you to-day of the smouldering rivalries between the Nazi Party leaders and the heads of the German Army.

## Nazi leaders and Army Generals seldom quite agree

IN peace time high German officers have spoken to me of defects in their armed forces. It may, of course, have been their aim to allay the suspicions of a visiting newspaper correspondent as to the use that Germany might ultimately make of them—but there are common-sense reasons for believing that what they said was true.

"What we lack are efficient officers of field rank and experienced N.C.O.s," they told me. "We have excellent generals who learnt their business in the last war. The captains and subalterns are hardworking and high-spirited."

But there is a serious shortage—which it will take years to make up—of majors and lieutenant-colonels and colonels, owing to the fact that for the first 15 years after the war the Reichswehr was limited to 100,000 men, and the type of man who would normally have become an officer and risen to field rank went into civilian life instead.

### Secret Contempt

GERMANY'S armed forces date from 1935. The men have done two years' service with the colours, and those who were too old to be conscripted have been repeatedly called up for spells of training of six weeks or two months. This experience is not as much as the German General Staff would like for men who have to face soldiers with the unbroken military traditions of the French.

Moreover, during those four years the Army has not been a happy family. The officers have had to put up with many slights from Party soldiers, for whom those of the old German Army, at any rate, feel a secret contempt.

I shall never forget the Nuremberg Party Congress of 1935. A special meeting of the Reichstag was summoned there, and all the senior generals and admirals attended. They sat to one side on the ground floor, in a gallery overlooking the main hall.

Goering, as President of the Reichstag, announced that all the standards of the armed forces were to be changed. The old black, white, and red flag with the Iron Cross was to be replaced by the Nazi Swastika.

"The Fuehrer has pulled the old flag out of the mud into which it had fallen," said Goering with a generous eloquence. The old black, white, and red flag with the Iron Cross was to be replaced by the Nazi Swastika.

The words shocked even me. I have lived in a Prussian military family and know what their flag meant to them—the flag that flew victoriously at Konigsberg, and was carried triumphantly to Paris in 1870.

I looked at the hard, weather-beaten faces of those German Army commanders. If ever I saw lips tighten and eyes flash with indignation they were theirs. Gripping their sword-hilts, they sat staring straight in front of them as they heard the second man in the Reich declare that the flag which embodied their honour as soldiers had "fallen into the mud."

What private protests the generals may have made, I do not know, but it is significant that when the new Service standards appeared two months later the old Iron Cross design was combined with and not replaced by the Swastika.

In the early days of national service German officers openly taught their recruits that the Army was a much older institution, with finer traditions, than the Party. Nazi influences were strictly kept outside the barrack gates. Young Party bosses drafted for military service found themselves singled out for fatigues and snubs.

### Refused to Sing

HOW often have I watched the group of generals at big Party functions—always standing together, a fine-looking, impressive, reserved group, avoiding all but the most formal of contact with the Nazi officials. When the two national anthems were sung at the end of the ceremony you would see them join in Deutschland uber Alles, but the lips stayed firmly shut for the Horst Wessel Lied, the Party song that followed.

"It must be a great advantage for me," I said once to a regimental officer, "that all your recruits have previously served in the Storm Troopers or the S.S. They will, at any rate, have learnt barrack-square discipline."

"Advantage!" he exclaimed. "It's the very thing we disapprove of most. These young fellows have been given such a big conceit of themselves in the Party formations that they think they know everything."

Since the big Army purge in February last year, when 16 generals were dismissed, the Party has completely penetrated the Army. All political lectures a week, and officers have been restricted to giving technical instruction. The soldiers, after completing their service, now return automatically to the ranks of the Storm Troopers.

### Not Enough Pilots

IN the German Air Force the short space of time available for building up a hand-picked élite of more individual initiative, and the German flying men have been put through a hard school. Training casualties are enormous, but no statistics of them have appeared.

Whereas originally the German Air Force was staffed by officers who volunteered for it, the system of appointment by order has been substituted. I was told in Germany last spring that the production of aeroplanes was actually being slowed down because the Air Force was not able to produce enough pilots to fly modern high-speed machines.

One wonders, too, how the "corp-like obedience theory" will work in war. The first principle of the Nazi creed being that "The Fuehrer is always right," it has been the minor Fuehrers—each in his degree—are also infallible. Splendidly though German organisation works on normal civilian lines, it is never at its best in an emergency.

### A Weakness

THERE is a new weapon in this war whose muzzle reaches into all our homes. The wireless-broadcasting of the German Propaganda Ministry can be heard on the ether every evening, and so far no anti-gas precautions have been found necessary to deal with them in this country.

For if there is one weakness in the German character—which has many admirable qualities—it is congenital ignorance of the psychology of other nations. On Tuesday night I heard raucous laughter coming from the Daily Mail wireless room.

I went to inquire what the joke was. I found four or five people listening to the English broadcast from Berlin, which was followed by an American broadcast. The fact that it was still possible to get a drink in Germany, to a German the British character and the way to make an impression on it will always remain a mystery.

### News-by Order

FOR purposes of internal propaganda the wireless is the principal instrument of the German Government, Reichsleiter Goebbels, the energetic young man who is in charge, under Dr. Goebbels, of the German Broadcasting system, has done his work well.

Every large town in Germany has wireless loud speakers on the lamp-posts; every restaurant and beer-house is almost compelled to keep its set constantly turned on, and cheap home-receivers have been provided at a price within the scope of the poorest, so that the official news supplied by the Deutsches Nachrichten Bureau is sure of instant transmission to the great majority of the nation.

Yet all Germany knows that nothing unfavourable to the Government would be communicated. Even under normal conditions, every foreigner who talks to Germans detects an uneasy eagerness to hear the facts about many matters that have been the subject of extensive treatment by the German wireless stations.

In wartime, the feeling that unpleasant truths are being systematically withheld may act like dry rot on the moral of the German nation.

### What About the Future

IT is not the ex-soldier's way to cry over spilt milk. What has happened is accomplished history. But what of the future? If the whole wretched business has to be done over again, will the sequel still be the same? We do not hear so much now, in the light of present events, from those dear souls who told us it was all rubbish about Germany being responsible for the Great War.

And what about the parrot-cry that it is impossible to keep a great nation down? If there is going to be a next war and Germany happens with better luck this time to win it, will Nazi bludgeoners will show us all about that piffle.

Make no error on that score. If we had lost the last war we should have been giving the Nazis a lesson to-day to our Prussian overlords, and jumping to it. We should not have been allowed or encouraged to reform ourselves, and our grandsons would still be sweating, a generation or two hence, to pay off a swingeing war indemnity which the Germans would have collected punctiliously, and, if necessary, at the bayonet's point. There would have been no societies started in Germany to cultivate friendly relations with conquered Britons, and I doubt whether any of the German Admirals would have assured their countrymen that Great Britain offered to defend the German Empire!

What German was it who said, "You will always be fools and we shall never be gentlemen"? It is borne in upon me that he may have been right.

# Not Ours to Reason Why!

HOW amusing it is now to recall the almost frenzied ecstasies of relief with which we acclaimed Armistice Day, 1918. The news seemed too good to be true. After nearly five years of desperate fighting, of ruinous expenditure, and tragic slaughter, which meant the total eclipse of all normal happy peaceful life, the interminable horrors of the Great War were over.

All hats were in the air, then. Every face wore a smile of inexpressible triumph. The sun was no longer a goblin. Skies were blue again. A malevolent spell had been suddenly lifted from mankind, and the minatory mutter of cannon no longer held men's hearts and hearths in daily and nightly thrall. The troubled world had known nothing like it since the dove brought back to Father Noah that olive branch which meant that God's wrath was appeased.

Incidentally these sensations of infinite heavenly relief were shared not least in Germany. For in that country the full tide of disastrous war was swiftly advancing back on its own homesteads. To all Germans it was starkly evident that the hour of dreadful retribution was at hand. The field grey legions, who had marched forth so proudly and confidently four and a half years earlier, and had held the miseries of war at arm's length from the Fatherland, were in full retreat along the whole Western Front.

### Foch Calls Their Bluff

How great and genuine was the relief of Armistice Day to Germany only those quite understand who saw the German peace envoys as they waited on Foch in his corridor train in the wood. They were no longer the arrogant swashbuckling Junkers of yesteryear, 1914. They were pale-faced, haggard with fear, and stamped their feet with impatience as the Allied Generals stood quietly prepared to receive them. Their illustrious War Lord, Ludendorff himself, had bidden them lose not one instant of precious time.

Germany's stupendous military machine was jangling to ruins about their ears. The picket-guard was on the lethal line of a frightful snuff-pat. Even then the Prussian mentality remained constant to its jackboot tradition. Though they were biting their nails with suspense, they bluffed.

When Foch demanded what they came for, their reply was in German. "We came to discuss peace terms." But Foch, a soldier and not a politician, was not in any mood for bluff. He blurted, blunt reply was that he had no peace terms to propose. Then, and then only, the German emissaries ceased their bluff. They meekly told the Generalsissimo that they came to sue for peace.

### The Gangsters Again

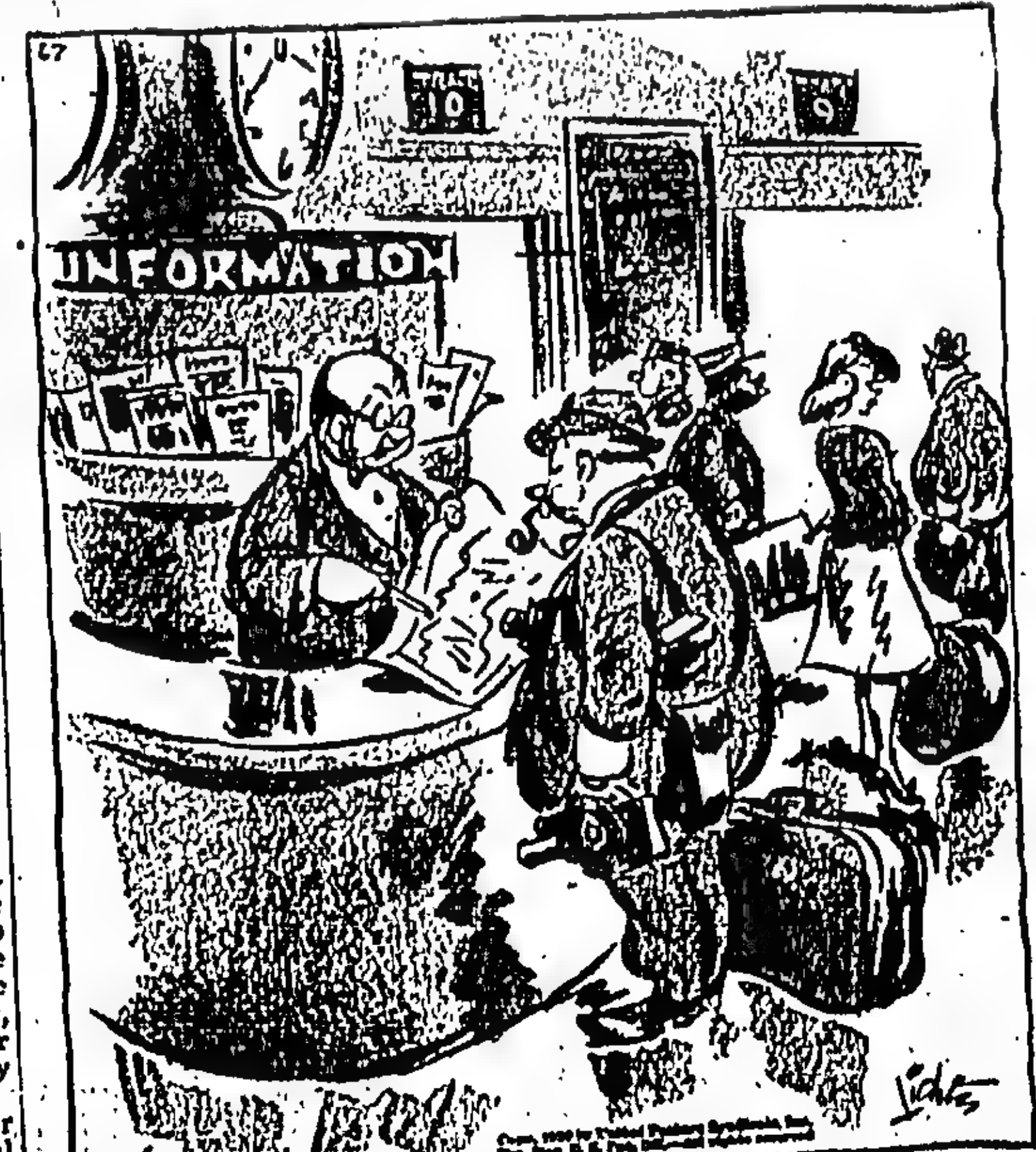
That was twenty-one years ago next November. Less than a generation ago. Judged by the astounding circumstances of to-day it might well have been a century. For what a contrast presents itself to Europe's pallid face at this moment. Germany, doubly rearmaged and with the many, doubly menacing spirit of the "Deutschland uber Alles" turned to a yet more strident and caustic note. Is no longer humbly suing for peace, but menacing the whole Continent with another ruinous holocaust of battle and bloodshed. The old wicked Prussian policy of ransom is once more being addressed to Germany's neighbours on the approved Chicago gangster methods. Because the whole philosophy of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and Goebbels' gutter-backchat boils down simply to "Slick 'em up!"

This is a metamorphosis startling and incredible enough surely to make angels weep tears of blood. It took us nearly five years to draw the dragon teeth of Germany. But it was well and truly done. In 1918 we had Germany down and out. It cost us twice a thousand million pounds and over a million British dead, not to mention the ordeal of that long, squalid, verminous struggle in the mud and blood.

To-day we awake to the realisation that all that appalling sacrifice has been made in vain. There are still with us some millions of those ex-Servicemen who did their manful bit in the Great War to end war. It might be a healthy experience for some politicians if they could hear what those men are saying about this great betrayal now. Hitler has fooled us to the top of our bent. He has bluffed us out of the deathright of all those illimitable soldier cemeteries of ours.

It would be egregiously presumptuous for anyone to pretend to speak for all ex-Servicemen. But there is not much doubt what the average man thinks and feels now who carried a pack and shouldered a rifle in the last war. His sentiment is one of sheer amazement that any politicians outside a lunatic asylum should have made such an utter and calamitous muddle of the opportunity presented to them in 1918.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"No—our trains don't have darkrooms, but by rerouting you here we can provide you with ample tunnels."



# BLONDE 'TRUNK MURDERESS' ESCAPES FROM INSANE ASYLUM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

## MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

### Accused Russian Gives Evidence

CHARGED with the manslaughter of Ip Man-wong, a mine coolie, at the Lin Ma Hang Mines, New Territories, on September 9, Victor Shamraeff, 24-year-old Russian, gave evidence on his own behalf at the Criminal Sessions this morning, saying he struck Ip two light blows on the face because he was attacking him.

The case is being tried by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor and the following Jury: Messrs. E. R. C. C. (Foreman), J. H. Xavier, J. D. Chin, E. Christensen, A. A. Silva, H. Advani and H. T. R. Linnik. Mr. J. D. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, is prosecuting and Shamraeff is defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida, Jnr., instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, of Deacons.

Lau Sze, a workman in the mines, testified to having seen Shamraeff strike and kick Ip. He was with Ip and two other persons and at no time did they show any unwillingness to work. Ip made no threatening gesture but was perfectly well-behaved.

#### Struck With Fist

Cross-examined, Lau said he did not see Shamraeff hit Ip on the face with an open hand. He struck with his fist and the blow was delivered with the force of a young man. As far as he knew, there was no reason why Shamraeff should have struck Ip.

Similar evidence was given by Wong Shiu, another miner, after which Mr. J. Stuart, shift boss at the mines, told the Court that Shamraeff had been suffering from malaria and on the night in question was looking very tired and worn out.

In answer to Mr. D'Almeida, witness said most of the miners were "tough" and his experience with them was very bad. The miners were not very energetic and difficult to get to work.

**Have Attacked Europeans**

Mr. D'Almeida: These tough miners have been known to attack Europeans without provocation?—Yes, I myself have been attacked several times.

Mr. W. Jock, Mines Superintendent, said that about 1 a.m. on September 10, Shamraeff told him: "I have killed a man." This statement, witness pointed out, did not necessarily mean that Shamraeff had himself killed a man because in every case where a miner was killed a report was made, worded "I have killed a man." The reason for this was that a shift boss was held responsible for anything that happened in the section of the mines in which he was in charge.

Shamraeff also told him that he had slapped four men on the face because they had refused to work.

Acting Sub-inspector C. Mottram testified to having examined Ip and found two small bruises on each of the lips. There were no other injuries.

#### Accused's Evidence

Giving evidence in the witness-box, Shamraeff said that on finding a group of men missing he sent the No. 1 to look for them. The No. 1 returned shortly afterwards and told him that the men were in the tunnel and had refused to work. He himself then went to the tunnel, where he found four men, including Ip.

"I told them," went on Shamraeff, "to go up and work. They remained seated. I then slapped the face of Ip two or three times with an open hand, and after I had slapped one or two others, they started up the man-way."

"I saw three men go up the man-way and as the third was disappearing I felt hands round my neck from behind. I turned to my right, faced the man and found it was Ip. I tore his hands away and struck him twice about the face. There was no weight behind the blows."

"Ip fell and I helped him to get up, after which I told him to go up the man-way and to work. I saw his nose was bleeding, so I took a piece of cotton waste to wipe the blood off. He indicated he wanted to go outside to wash. I then left him and about ten minutes later I was told someone was lying sick outside."

#### Tight Grip On Neck

Cross-examined, Shamraeff said there was no one else in the tunnel when Ip put his hands round his neck. He did not punch Ip on the chest or kick him. The grip round his neck was quite tight, leaving him to believe that the man was hostile.

The case is proceeding.

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PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 25 (UP).—The Governor's office has revealed that Winnie Ruth Judd, Arizona's blonde "trunk murderess" escaped from the State Insane Hospital yesterday.

Her absence was discovered during the routine morning checkup.

Winnie was convicted May 11, 1932 for murdering two Phoenix nurses, Misses Hedwig Samuelson and Abnes Ann Le Role, and escaped hanging when she was adjudged insane. She escaped by cleverly packing rags and clothing in her bed to simulate a sleeping figure after which she apparently made her exit through a window.

Superintendent Lewis Saxe was apparently surprised at the girl's escape in view of the fact that the "Tiger Woman" recently turned "homey" doing many favours for other inmates. It was admitted that she had comparative free run of the institution.

#### Turns Up At Home

Sheriff Lon Jordan said that Winnie's parents are the Reverend and Mrs. H. J. McKinnel of Phoenix who said that Winnie appeared at home at midnight but refused to listen to pleas to remain while her parents could summon the authorities.

Instead, she left a letter addressed to Governor Robert T. Jones and departed apparently afoot, shortly after midnight. The Sheriff said that thereafter the parents did not notify the authorities.

There are rumours that it was possibly in inside job. Meanwhile, hundreds of deputies, highway patrolmen and policemen are attempting to trail her.

### Typewriter Stolen

#### Hard Labour For Young Chinese

Twelve months' hard labour was imposed on Lai Pang, 25, Hongkong-born unemployed Chinese, by Mr. Himswoth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning for the theft of a Remington typewriter from the Gilman's Garage, Nathan Road, property of Mr. P. Braga, and jewellery to the amount of \$402 from the residence of Mrs. R. M. Wexham, in Carnarvon Road.

Det.-Sgt. Davies said on Saturday PCC229 received information and arrested Lai in Salkung Road, wearing a ring which was stolen from Mrs. Wexham's residence on October 14. Himswoth further enquiries were made, Lai admitted having stolen the typewriter on October 1. Lai had eight previous convictions.

### EMBARGO CAUSES BIG LOSSES TO U.S.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The State Department to-day disclosed that the imposition of the arms embargo nullified \$78,000,000 worth of arms export licences held by belligerent Powers.

Of this total Britain held \$14,877,080, France \$58,418,113, and Australia \$5,070,700.

#### Hongkong Affected

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Licences for export of arms to belligerents totalling over 15,000,000 have been revoked since the invocation of the Neutrality Act on September 2, according to a State Department announcement.

Revocations in respect of France totalled \$11,500,000, Britain \$3,000,000, Australia \$1,000,000 and Germany only \$10.

British Dominions and Colonies affected included Canada, South Africa, Burma, India, South Rhodesia, Federated Malay States, Kenya, Hongkong, Palestine and New Zealand.

### Chinese Scheme To Help 100,000 War Refugees

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A huge scheme for settling 100,000 war refugees on the land, as part of a national reconstruction programme, has been started by the Chinese Government.

Plans have been made to transport the refugees to Ninghsia province—in China's far north-west—and to set them to work on hundreds of thousands of acres of arable, but now deserted land.

Already the Government has appointed experts to supervise the settlement scheme, and a land reclamation office has been established in Ninghsia province.

New villages are being built ready to receive the settlers and work is proceeding on details of administration. Agricultural implements, as well as large stocks of publication, either wholly or in part, seeds and grains, have been bought

## TRIPARTITE TREATY

### London Hurries To Ratify

#### New Middle East Line-Up Likely

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The urgency of the Anglo-French treaty with Turkey was indicated in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. Chamberlain told the Labour Leader Mr. Clement Attlee that "it is usual for treaties to be laid down in the House for 21 days before ratification."

"In view of the exceptional circumstances, it is desired that the Anglo-French-Turkish treaty be ratified as soon as possible. It is therefore proposed to submit the treaty for His Majesty's signature at once and to arrange for the instruments of ratification to reach Ankara next week."

#### New Entente

PARIS, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Reports that Turkey, Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan (who in 1937 signed a non-aggression pact) are planning a conference in the near future at Baghdad or Ankara, have aroused intense interest in well-informed circles.

Preliminary exchanges of views are already taking place. The meeting is thought to be connected with the conclusion of the Franco-Turkish agreement, and it is probably also to review the effect of the Turko-Soviet negotiations on the situation in the Middle East.

The Franco-Turkish pact between the four States contains a very precise definition of aggression, and it might form the basis of a group similar to that formed by the States of the Balkan pact.

#### Pact To Be Ratified

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister announced that in view of the exceptional circumstances, it was desired that the Anglo-French-Turkish Treaty should be ratified as soon as possible.

Therefore, it is proposed to submit the treaty for His Majesty's signature at once, and the instruments for ratification will be arranged in Ankara next week.

### Hitler Defied

#### Danish Germans Will Not Return To Reich

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German Party in Denmark has protested against the suggestion that Germans in Northern Schleswig will be compulsorily returned to the Reich.

The Party held a protest meeting after the question, will treat tens of thousands in Parliament by a Nationalist member.

The leader of the German Party described such a plan as insulting. The suggestion is rejected indignantly. He said: "Here we belong and here we stay."



## Panda In Hongkong

Another Panda was brought to Hongkong recently and has just left for America in the charge of Mr. Ray Scott, noted American photographer-lecturer. Here the happy little Panda is seen enjoying a game with Mr. Scott while the animal was being looked after in Hongkong.

## R.A.F. MAKE MORE DARING RAIDS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 25 (UP).—It has been officially announced that the Royal Air Force planes which carried out reconnaissance flights yesterday cruised in "enormous numbers" over Germany, and that the German populace took shelter instead of listening to the German Foreign Minister's speech.

The British planes penetrated far into South Germany, flying over Magdeburg where there is a branch of the Krupp armament works.

All the planes returned safely to their bases.

### A HINT TO THE WISE

LONDON, Oct. 25 (British Wireless).—Referring to the Royal Air Force Reconnaissance flights last night over Berlin, Magdeburg and Hildesheim, the evening newspapers find food for reflection in the fact that at the very hour when Herr von Ribbentrop, at Danzig, was boasting of Nazi might as exemplified in the overthrow of Poland, Britain's air power was again being demonstrated to the German people unmistakably but mercifully.

#### British Air Casualties

LONDON, Oct. 25 (UP).—The Air Ministry to-day announced the following casualties on various dates: three killed in action, eight killed on active service, and eleven missing. Three of those missing are believed to have been killed. Of the number killed on active service, one was previously reported missing but is now reported as killed in action.

### Air Training In Colonies

#### Ministry May Extend Empire Scheme

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, asked in the House of Commons this afternoon what steps would be taken to use the flying services in the Crown Colonies and India, said:

"Organisations for flying will be developed to the fullest possible extent all over the Empire. The suggestion that the Empire Air Training Scheme be extended to the Crown Colonies and India will be carefully extended."

### Fight To Save Civilisation

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, addressing the Conservative 1932 Club in the House of Commons this evening, said:

"We are not fighting for Imperialist reasons, but to save civilisation which is threatened in many ways." Lord Halifax stressed the importance of the Anglo-Franco-Turkish alliance as a stabilising influence.



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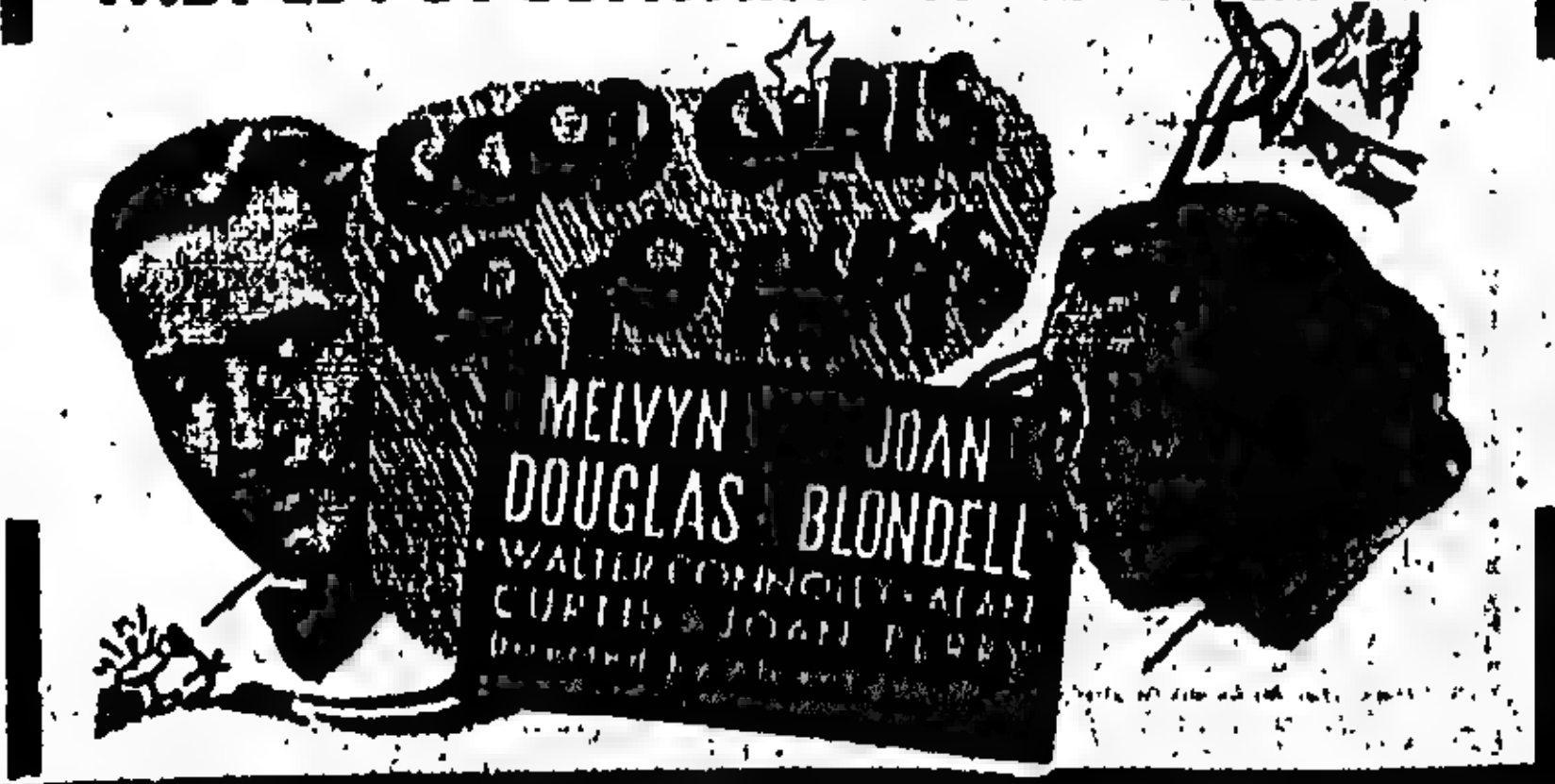
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# Exclusive Pictures of Fatshan Rescues

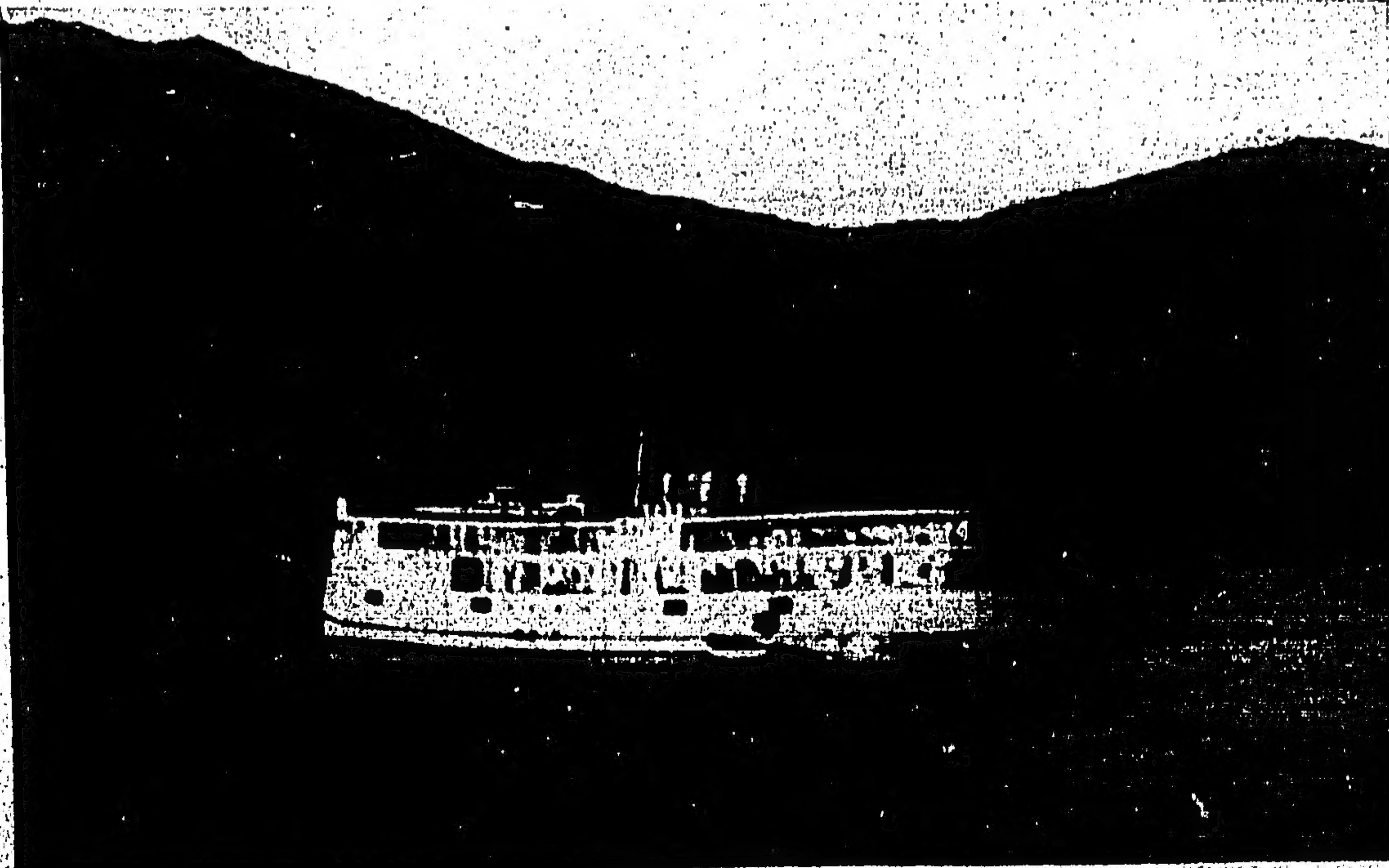


PASSENGERS ON THE DECK of the Fatshan, ready for any emergency as the ship rushes to beach on Lin Tin Island. The passengers were, as shown in the photograph, all lifebelted until the danger was past.

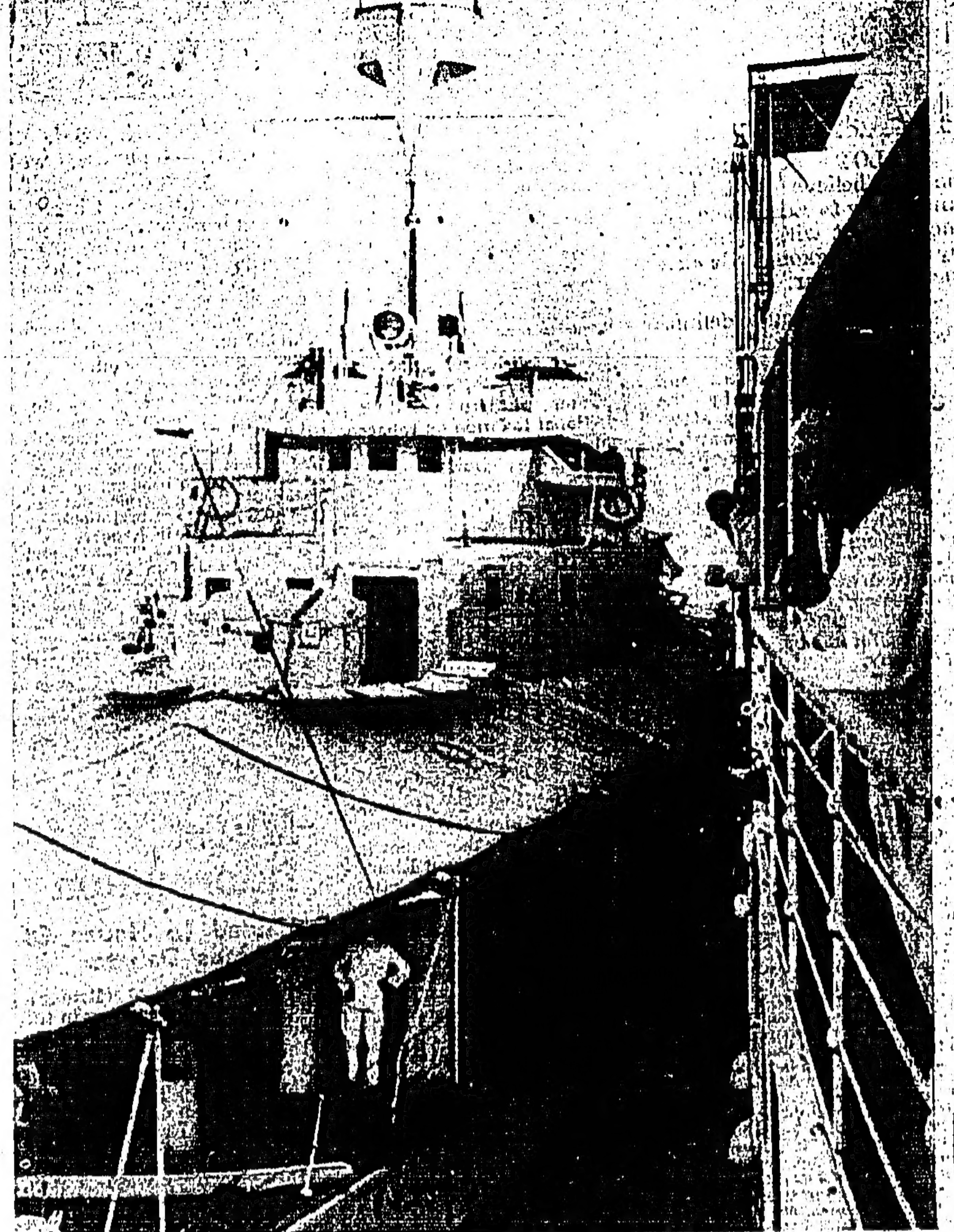


PREPARING to lower one of the Fatshan's lifeboats. The aid given by the Royal Navy rendered it unnecessary to use the lifeboats.

ONE OF THE PASSENGERS aboard the Fatshan was Mrs. G. F. Hole, wife of the Hongkong Harbour Master. Mrs. Hole is shown here with her lifebelt strapped on.



THE GROUNDING OF THE FATSHAN, photographed from the deck of the rescue steamer Kinshan, to whom passengers were transferred by a British gunboat. It is stated that there was six feet of water in the holds of the Fatshan when she was beached.



A BRITISH GUNBOAT coming alongside the Fatshan to take off the passengers aboard the stranded steamer. Magnificent work was done by the Navy in transferring the 1,800 people aboard the Fatshan to the Kinshan, without a single mishap.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LAIS MORRIS

ACROSS										DOWN																											
1-Complainer	2-Word of honor	3-Battle fleet	4-Traveler	5-Fingerless glove	6-Abolishment	7-Old English rent	8-Japanese moon	9-Altar for special use	10-Baby word for father	11-Flag-shaped	12-Part of plant	13-Citrus fruit	14-French article	15-Cry out cheerfully	16-Western state	17-Fairies word	18-Scientific workshop	19-Nucleus of egg	20-Aids	21-Undressed skins	22-Skin of ball	23-Skin of fruit	24-Cutlery	25-Ome	26-Cadence	27-Complaining	28-Clit's name	29-Of low state									
31-Devoured	32-Accuse book	33-Denial	34-Tripods	35-Weapons	36-Branch of animals	37-Quintessence	38-Kind of bird	39-Deafish district	40-Symbol: sodium	41-Norse epic	42-Isoles incursions	43-Male	44-Kids of talent	45-Japanese measure	46-Use of	47-Mate camp	48-Kind of sword	49-Charo	50-Turn	51-Illuminated rocks	52-Bound of bell	53-Heads	54-It-shaped objects	55-Hard	56-Purser baseball	57-Start's first name	58-Used covering	59-Two blue	60-Jingo-blow	61-Asiatic nomad	62-Transfers liquid	63-Deafly	64-Ancient of Benites	65-Pus	66-Exclamation	67-Sound of growl	68-Symbol: tellurium

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## Now Finland Knows

### Soviet Reveals Her Full Demands

HELSINKI, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Before leaving Moscow to return to Helsinki, M. Paasikivi, leader of the Finnish delegation, said they expected to be back in the Soviet capital next week. Nothing has been revealed of the new Soviet proposals, but the newspaper of the Finnish Foreign Minister says: "Now for the first time the Soviet has made its precise demands known."

**No Compromising**  
 The journal hints that these demands include a mutual assistance pact and comments that such a pact would strengthen Russia more than Finland.  
 The spokesman of the Finnish Government stated: "If a political agreement is in prospect, it will not be possible to leave the Diet out of the agreement. We will make no concessions which the people of Finland will not acknowledge, nor will we compromise Finnish neutrality or sovereignty."

## America's Record Gold Holdings

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The United States Treasury's gold holdings have reached the highest figure on record—over 3,400,000,000, which represents more than two-thirds of the world's monetary gold stocks.  
 The figure of 2,000,000,000 worth of gold was added to the Treasury's holdings in the past year.

## BULGARIA TO GO TO THE POLLS

SOFIA, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The new Government has ordered the dissolution of Parliament which is due to meet on Saturday.  
 A general election is promised in December.  
 The Government's step is no surprise as it is thought it would probably have been defeated if it had met in Parliament.



## WHAT WOULD YOU TAX

A LOT of Hongkong people believe that they know how to raise the extra money that will be needed by the Hongkong Government next year.

But they are quite definite about income tax.

Out of all the letters and post-cards received by the "Telegraph" yesterday afternoon and early this morning, not one was in favour of this form of taxation.

The opinion of readers will be published from day to day in the "Telegraph." Those received were submitted in response to an article which appeared in yesterday's issue asking readers to suggest the best methods for raising taxation in the Colony.

Other readers are asked to submit suggestions and to mark, with a tick, the items in the table accompanying this article they think should be taxed.

So far, most readers have voted for additional taxation on wines, beer and spirits and on club and other sweeps.

Others believe that house racing and bachelors should be heavily taxed.

Quite a large number of readers suggested the institution of Government lotteries. This is one possible form of taxation which was not suggested yesterday.

Cigarettes, perfumes, luxury articles and increased entertainment tax are also suggested.

One reader, the only one who could be considered as favouring income tax, believes that income tax would be "sound, logical and inevitable" but that Government blundered.

"It dropped too heavily on the professional man who regards himself as a labourer getting his government personal exertion, the middle-class and gone for the unearned wealth there would have been no kick except from the millionaires."

"The size of the contribution to the Imperial Government is also unreasonable. We have our own defence costs. Take a look at the Financial Minutes published by you today."

L. D. W. wants to see Government economy by getting down the present cost of administration, which he considers is too high.

Z. G. also thinks that Government is spending far too much on the cost of administration.

N.B.: "Government should institute a lottery of the type run in Queensland where the entire hospital system is run from this form."

A.M.W. "Put additional taxation on property owners. They are the people who have swollen the cost of living in the Colony. But if they are taxed, Government must see that they do not pass it on."

N.W. "I think the only real way of obtaining the large sum of money the Government needs for defence purposes is through a lottery. All other gambling such as horse racing, club sweeps and stock exchange profits should also be heavily taxed."

A.M. "Luxuries should bear the brunt of new taxation. Perfumes, beer, wine and spirits, tobacco, cigarettes, motor-cars and sporting articles and yachts should be amongst the first taxed."

The majority of readers contented themselves with filling in the form published in the "Telegraph" yesterday.

Those who forward suggestions to-day are invited to add comments on their reasons for proposing new forms of taxation for opposing any old or proposed form of taxation. A further selection of letters will be published to-morrow.

## More Recruits Sought

### For Maintenance Of War Supplies

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The War Office announces that recruiting will be open to-morrow for a new corps of men between 35 and 50, to be known as the Auxiliary Military Pioneers Corps, which will ensure the proper maintenance of supplies to the armies at home and abroad.

The announcement says that a vast amount of stores have to be handled and to ensure smooth transportation, the lines of communication must be maintained in a fit condition.

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## TAXATION LEAGUE

HERE are the suggestions of readers tabulated to show you how they would raise extra revenue. Use this box to mark off by means of a tick, the types of taxation you would propose. If you have any additional suggestions, add them on a sheet of paper or on a post-card.

	Per Cent.
Wines, spirits and beer	65
Clubs and other sweeps	60
Horse racing	45
Bachelors	45
Government lotteries	40
Cigarettes and perfumes	35
Luxury articles	30
Entertainment tax	25

Other readers voted for additional taxation on tobacco, motor cars, radio licences, drivers licences, stock exchange margin, cats, property owners, tea, oils, salt, death duties, aliens, road side hoardings.

## REPLY TO RIBBENTROP

### WAR GUILT DISPROVED

#### Britain's Eagerness For Peace

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued today states that the following facts disprove Herr von Ribbentrop's allegations that Britain had plotted war for years and had rejected Hitler's peaceful overtures:

1.—Britain permitted Hitler to re-introduce conscription, build an air force, re-militarize the Rhineland, occupy Austria and Sudetenland; 2.—Britain has constantly striven for good understanding with Germany and the present British Government has been strongly criticised in the U.S.A. and neutral countries for the lengths it went to achieve this end; 3.—Britain's guarantee to Poland was given on March 31. Poland had rejected Hitler's demands on March 20;

Hitler's Betrayal  
4.—Mr. Chamberlain returned from Munich last year with Hitler's promise that any question arising between Germany and Britain would be settled by consultation. Mr. Chamberlain said: "This is peace for our time." Six months later, Hitler betrayed him by seizing Czechoslovakia;

5.—Both Britain and France replied favourably to the Italian peace proposals on August 31, but laid it down as fundamental in reply to the second proposal on September 2 that the Germans should evacuate Polish territory;

6.—Germany herself made war inevitable by invading Poland on September 1.

## Week-End Cricket XI's

The following teams have been selected to represent the Crutegrower C.C. in friendly cricket matches against the Kowloon C.C. on Saturday:

1st XI (at home).—E. Zimmermann (capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. J. Hulse, Esmail, W. Hong Sling, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Ismail, A. T. Lee, H. P. Lam, G. Souza, J. L. Young Saye and F. Zimmermann. Scorer, H. W. Randall. Umpire, G. S. Ladd.

2nd XI (away).—B. R. Ince (capt.), N. Broadbridge, A. H. Esmail, U. H. Esmail, H. C. Hung, C. W. Lam, C. A. Lee, T. Locke, S. Ramchand, W. K. Way and G. Winch. Scorer, W. Broadbridge.

**VOLUNTEERS' ELEVEN**  
The following will represent the Hongkong Volunteers against the Army at Soetunpo on Sunday, commencing at 11 a.m.:

R. M. King, D. J. N. Anderson, L. C. Baker, M. S. Banner, E. A. Bompas, D. de S. Carey, D. O. Parsons, A. E. Perry, W. B. Richardson, E. M. L. Soares and F. R. Zimmermann.

## R.A.F. Casualties

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The seventh list of Royal Air Force casualties totals seven officers, and 25 other ranks, of whom 18 were killed and 14 are missing.

## JUNK MACHINE-GUNNED IN HONGKONG WATERS

### Antiquated Cannon Reply to Japan

BRITISH WATERS proved no protection for Pan Fat, junk master, when his craft became the target of Japanese machine gun fire at 3 a.m. yesterday. One of the bullets struck his sister, Pan Wo, 17, who lay asleep in the stern.

Pan reports that his junk was in Deep Bay off Lo So Shan when a Japanese motor boat approached from the direction of Lin Tin Island and opened fire with a machine gun.

Pan did not take the attack lying down, but discharged his junk cannon in return and fired a few rifle shots. The motor boat turned back, but not before Pan's sister was injured.

## Extensive Aerial Operations In China

# JAPANESE RAIDS ON THREE PROVINCES

CHUNGKING, Oct. 26 (Central).—Japanese war-planes yesterday visited three provinces in China.

Forty bombs were dropped on Yuanling, in western Hunan. Incendiary bombs caused several fires. No reports of casualties have been received.

Thirty-five bombers raided Nanchang, in southern Shensi, over hundred bombs being dropped on the city.

Two coastal towns north-west of Foochow, in Fukien Province, were also victims of raids. They were Ninghai and Shapu, well known to many Hongkong Chinese residents.

In addition to bombing operations, the Japanese are carrying out extensive reconnaissance operations.

**Japanese Report**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Oct. 26, (Dome).—The Japanese naval air units on Tuesday attacked the Chinese airfields at Nanyang and Nelsiang in Henan Province, a communique issued by the Japanese Fleet Headquarters claims.

Operating in South China, Japanese naval aircraft also visited Pingnan and Suchow, in eastern Kwangsi, destroying warehouses, military boats and military establishments, the communique adds.

## Ministry Of Information

### Defended In House Of Lords' Debate

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Lord Carmichael, speaking in the Ministry of Information debate in the House of Lords to-day said he had arranged with Lord Macmillan that he should no longer occupy an official position in the Ministry itself.

He added that the machinery was now in running order, and given a fair chance, he had no doubt that Lord Macmillan would make it function properly.

### Lost Himself A Job

Lord Carmichael added that as a result of the organisation, he managed to organise himself out of a job, but he would gladly give what assistance he could from outside.

Lord Middleton, initiating the debate, said that people seemed to have been brought into the Ministry almost haphazardly, and in referring to the total number of staff on October 9, described them as "eleven hodgepodge."

Lord Macmillan, in reply, stated that as a result of a re-arrangement, headquarters staff had been dispensed with 97 officials, with corresponding reductions in the auxiliary staff, representing a payroll of about £40,000 a year.

Lord Macmillan paid tribute to the work of Lord Carmichael in assisting him, and he also referred to the desirability of obtaining more journalists in the publicity side of the Ministry's work.

### Ministry's Work

He added that with all the work the Ministry was doing it was ridiculous to think that a manager and a couple of office boys were enough.

Lord Macmillan also revealed that the Blue Book on the origins of the war had reached 182 destinations throughout the world.

An admirable film had been made of British air activities, both in defence and attack, and in response to requests, arrangements were being made to ship it immediately to South Africa, India, Singapore, Australia and Canada.

## City Of Flint: U.S. To Take Action

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Government determined to follow the City of Flint case through to a logical conclusion from the standpoint of International Law and American rights, declared Mr. Cordell Hull in a Press conference to-day.

Mr. Hull added that the State Department still had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the crew.

## PUPPETS KILLED IN DARING CANTON SORTIE

YINGTAK, Oct. 26 (Central).—Chinese soldiers, dressed in coolie clothes, filtered into Canton on the night of October 20 and launched a sudden attack on the puppet Canton Chamber of Commerce during a conference.

The roomful of people attending the conference—several Japanese were present—were assassinated. The Chinese made good their escape.

## "City of Unconquerable Walls" May Fall

### CHINESE THREATEN KIANGSI CAPITAL

CHUNGKING, Oct. 25 (Central).—Nanchang, "City of Unconquerable Walls" which fell to a foreign invader for the first time in eight centuries when it was occupied by the Japanese last March, is now threatened with re-capture by strong Chinese forces.

Bitter fighting is now progressing at Fenghsien and Tsingan, 23 miles west and 30 miles north-west respectively.

After the re-capture of Siushui, the Chinese pressed vigorously on Fenghsien, Tsingan and Wuning. In the Fenghsien sector they have re-captured Mahsinshan, an important strategic point, and Peimaokang. In the Wuning sector Putienchiao has fallen after a vigorous onslaught.

**Japanese Diversion**  
In an attempt to divert the Chinese attack on the Kiangsi capital, the Japanese have launched an attack on Kian, on the west bank of the Kan River. Kian is 125 miles from Nanchang.

Elsewhere in China, fighting appears to be dying out. The Chinese are still besieging the Japanese garrison in Changshih, the Sianchi city which may soon be re-captured as a result of the interruption of the Japanese lines of communications. Heavy Japanese casualties are reported from the nearby towns of Changwotou and Machaotsun, where the Japanese garrisons were wiped out after the Chinese forces had launched overwhelming superior forces against the defenders.

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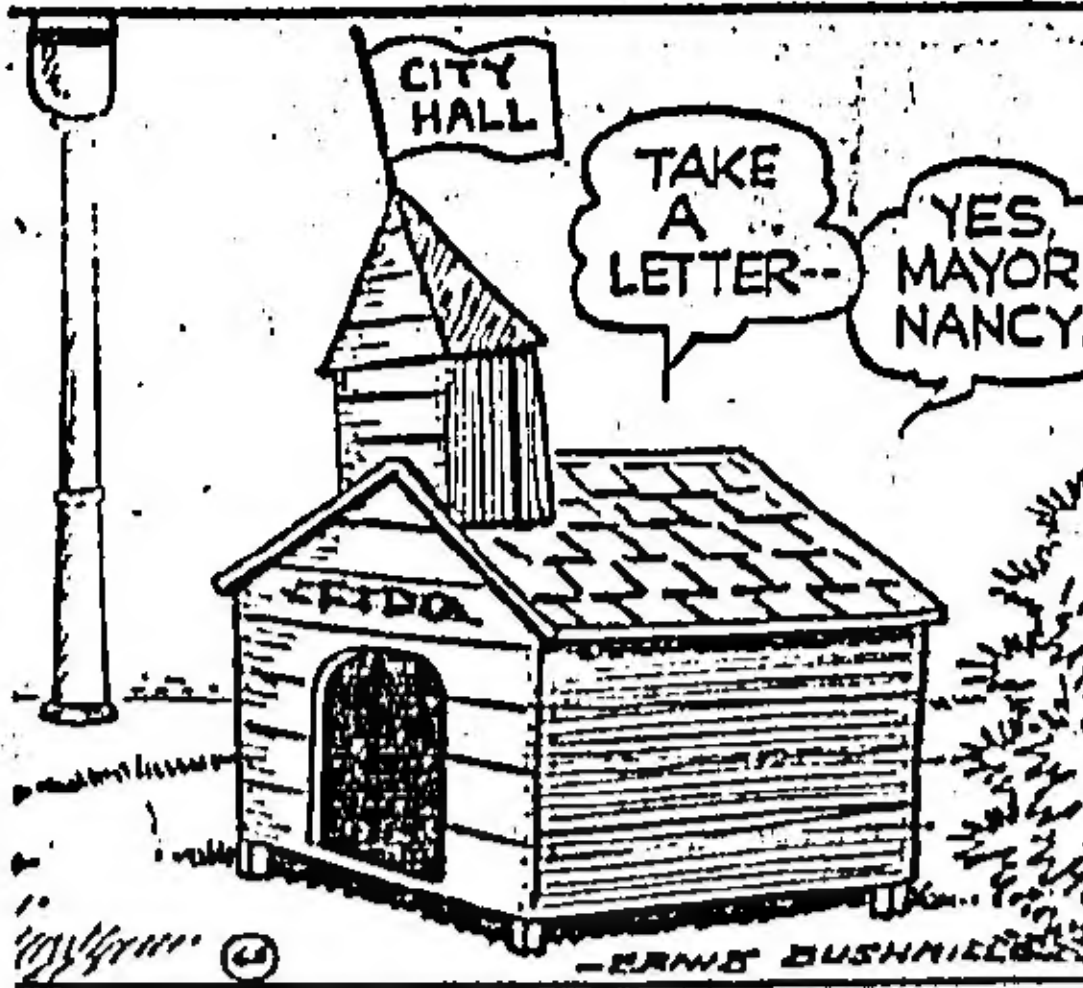
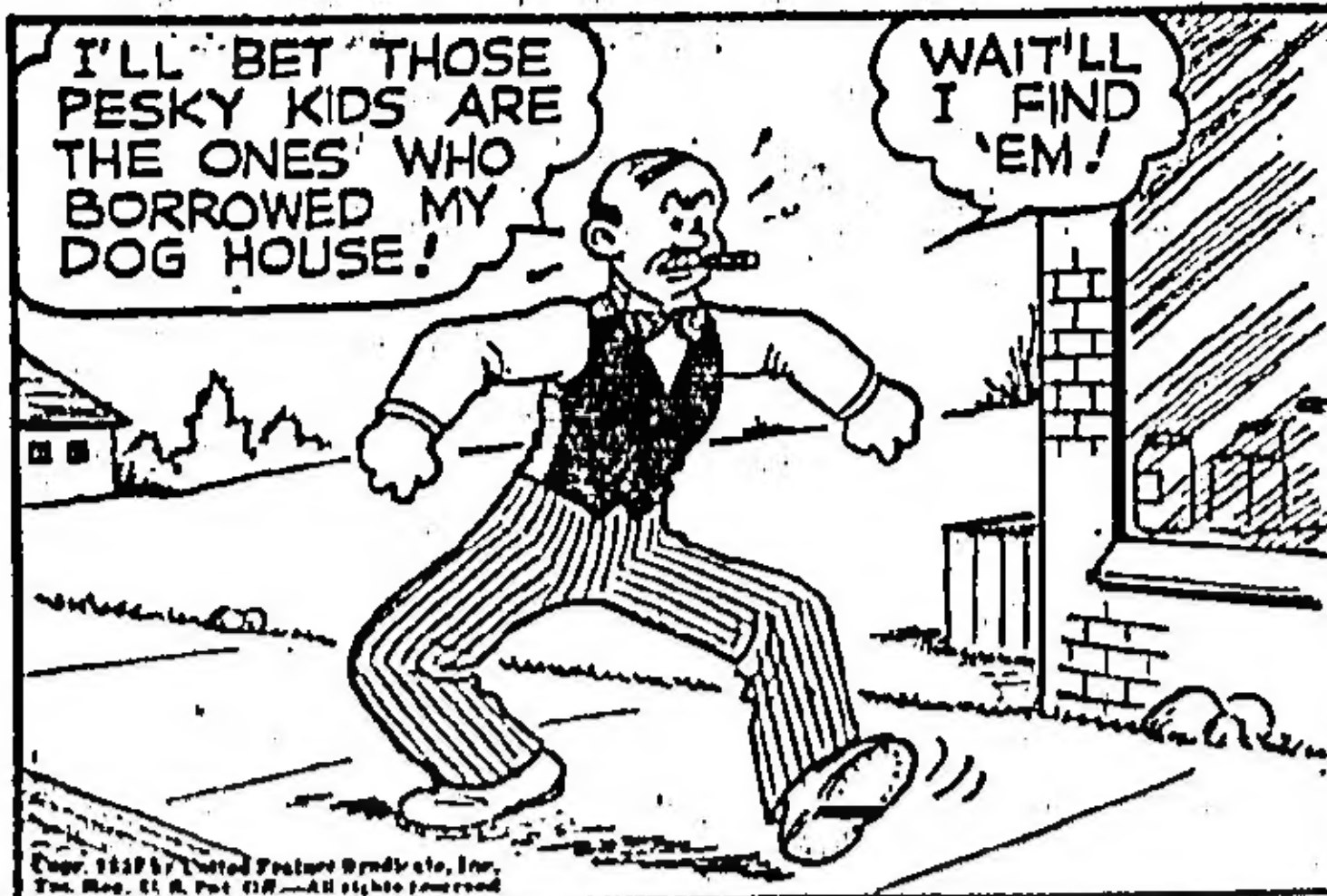
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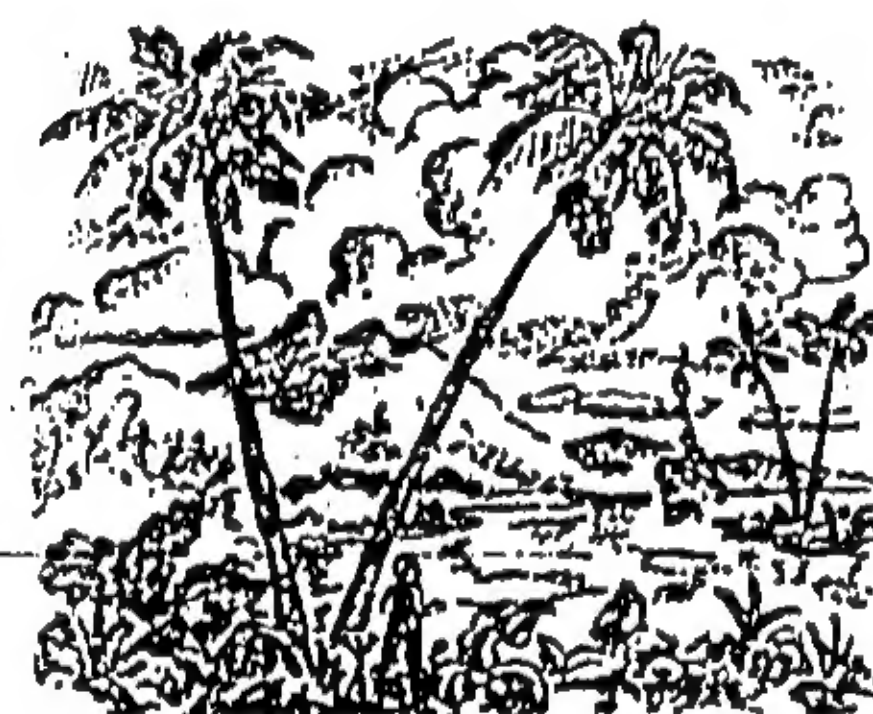
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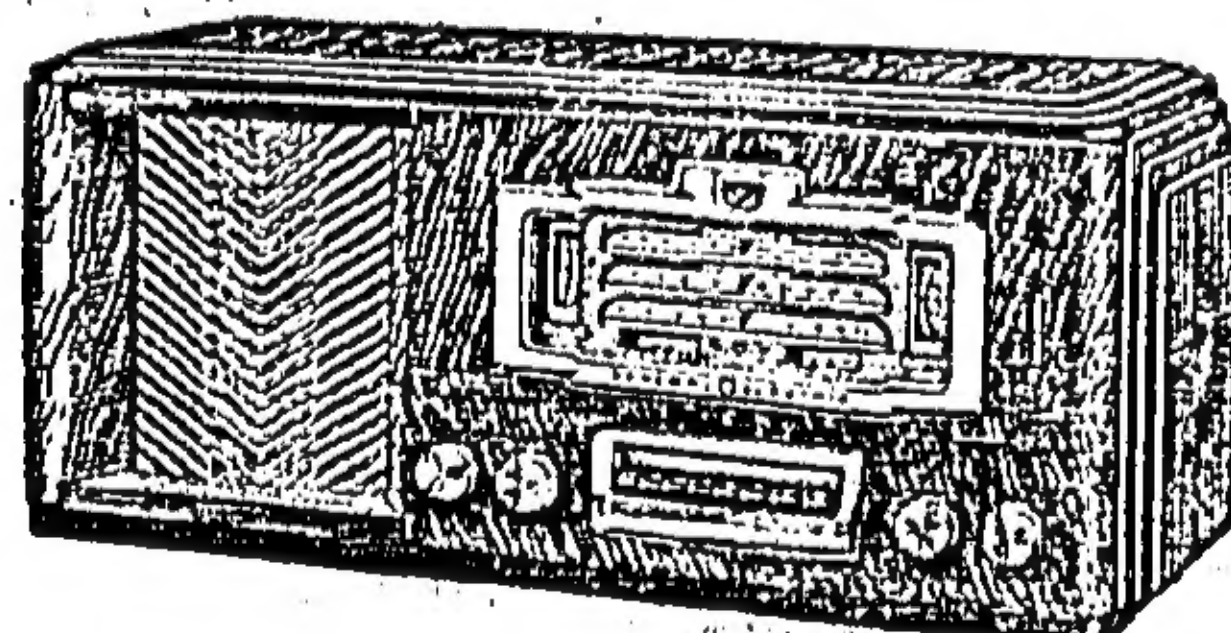
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## "Newspaper Article" Figment of Imagination

# FRANCE EXPLODES A NAZI RADIO CANARD

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The German wireless on October 23 quoted an amazing statement about the Anglo-Franco-Turkish agreement which it was alleged had been taken from an article by the Istanbul correspondent of the "Paris Soir," says a special commentary on the war situation.

The correspondent is supposed to have written that Turkey had been promised 500 British aeroplanes, one-sixth of the petrol production in the Mosul district, the cession of Alexandretta and the withdrawal of half the French troops from the Syrian-Turkish border.

All of these allegations are entirely without foundation and, it can be definitely stated, never appeared in the "Paris Soir."

### Fantastic Suggestion

The cession of Alexandretta was, as it is well known, the outcome of a separate agreement concluded some months ago between Turkey and France, and has already been put into effect.

The statement regarding the Mosul oil can only be described as fantastic. The German wireless also says that the British Government had promised to construct a new port for Turkey at their own expense. This is entirely untrue.

### "Domel" Report Denied

Another part of the special commentary says there is no truth in the "Domel" report that Hitler told the Chinese Minister to London at the outbreak of the war that Britain could no longer support Chiang Kai-shek.

The special commentary says that the following facts provide startling evidence of the improvement in national health. On the introduction of conscription in 1917, 65 per cent. of the youths of 18 were allocated to grade 1. In June 1939, 83 per cent. of the militiamen were classified grade 1, and 9.3 per cent. in grade 2, that is 92 per cent. of the 20-year age group were passed fit for active service.

### About Germany

The following reports regarding Germany emanate from a reliable source. As early as September 17 the inhabitants at Dresden knew that quantities of gas were being transported daily to military depots in the west.

Official steps are being taken to prevent contact between troops from the Eastern Front and the Western Front at railway stations.

Germany is pursuing a policy of sending older men to the front and keeping the younger men in the Party organisations.

## TIRED OF BEING IN GAOL

So He Tried To Escape

Lan Muk-sing, a Chinese prisoner who attempted to escape from the Victoria Remand Cells yesterday, declined in the Central Magistracy this morning that he did so because he was tired of being in gaol.

He was sentenced to six months hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards, Inspector A. Kirby prosecuted.

Lan broke out of his cell yesterday morning, jumped forty feet from the roof on to an archway over the steps leading to the Magistracy and then, after running along the top of the wall, jumped a further fifteen feet into Arbuthnot Road.

His undoing came when he attempted to leap across a small gutter into a lane off Wyndham Street. He fell heavily, twisting his ankle and was easily re-captured by the warders.

## British Ban On Silver Imports

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The Board of Trade has prohibited the importation, except under licence, of silver bullion and foreign silver coins.

## R.A.F. Sink "Pocket" Battleship

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—An eye-witness of the R.A.F. raid on Wilhelmshaven declares that the 26,000 ton battleship Gneisenau was destroyed, according to the Norwegian newspaper "Arbeider Bladet."

It states that a bomb went down the funnel and exploded in the engine room, breaking the ship into two.

Several men were drowned.

"United Press" claimed that the Gneisenau had been sunk in its original report of the raid.

## The King Receives Sir Eric Phipps

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King to-day received in audience at Buckingham Palace Sir Eric Phipps on his relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador to Paris.

Later Sir Eric and Lady Phipps lunched with the King and Queen.

His Majesty also received Colonel Denney Reitz, the South African Minister for Native Affairs, who is the first Dominion Minister to arrive in London for the pending Empire Conference.

## Blockade Of Reich Complete

Germany Cut Off From Outside World

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, reviewed the progress of the blockade in a statement in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Cross said that 338,000 tons of goods destined for Germany had been intercepted and detained in the first six weeks of the war.

Germany is now practically cut off from all her overseas sources of supply.

### Belligerent Rights

The British Government was determined to exercise its belligerent rights, but would take full account of the bona fide trading needs of neutrals.

Discussions are now proceeding with a number of neutral countries on questions connected with the Contraband Control.

Representatives of Iceland, Sweden, Netherlands and Belgium are now in London.

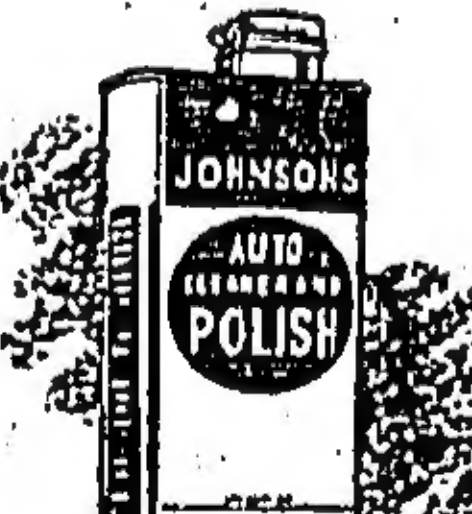


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**BRITISH TRADE WITH RUSSIA**  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in reply to a question that the possibility of following up the recent agreement with Russia for the exchange of timber against rubber, and in by further arrangements suitable to war conditions was now under examination.

**Austrian Workers Anti-Hitler**  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A manifesto from Austrian workers declaring their determination to "make Hitler's war impossible" was read in the Paris radio's German language broadcast.

The manifesto declared that Austrian workers would sooner sacrifice themselves in the struggle against Hitler than fight on the side of the oppressor.

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# DEUTSCHLAND SINKS BRITISH STEAMERS

OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The British steamer Stonegate 5,044 tons) was attacked and sunk by the German pocket battleship Deutschland on a voyage from Valparaiso to England, according to a member of the crew who has arrived in Norway.

The crew were taken on board the Deutschland, which proceeded to the north until she met the United States steamer, City of Flint.

They were then transferred to the City of Flint with a German prize crew.

The Germans intended to take the American ship to a German harbour, but she ran short of water, probably somewhere off Greenland, and called at Tromsø en route to Murmansk.

Another Victim  
 OSLO, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—The steamer Lorentz W. Hansen, which was reported on October 20 to have been sunk by enemy action, was now reported to have been rescued by the Deutschland, which has been manoeuvring in the east and south of Newfoundland, according to the newspaper "Aftenposten."

4,400-Ton Tefna Sunk  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Another British steamer, the 4,400 ton Tefna, has been sunk. Thirty-one of her crew of 45 have been saved.

The Tefna is owned by the La Tuniense Steamship Company of Sinesse and was sunk in North Atlantic.

Clan Chisholm Survivors  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—All the European officers of the Clan Chisholm, which was sunk by the German pocket battleship Deutschland on October 17, of the 30 Indian seamen are at present reported to have been rescued.

20 Still Missing  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It is now reported that the survivors of the Clan Chisholm comprise 18 Europeans and 60 Indian members of the crew, leaving about 20 unaccounted for.

City of Flint  
 SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
 BERLIN, Oct. 25 (UP).—It has been disclosed that Germany is negotiating with Russia regarding the disposition of the captured American steamship City of Flint. The negotiations are understood to include the question of the release of the crew.

Officials here said they have no information on the subject or as to time since 1934, except during the third quarter of 1939 (three months ending September 30), when Sino-Japanese hostilities commenced.

Average price of foodstuffs (wholesale) has risen from basic figure of 85 cents in 1935 to \$1.34. Textiles, on the other hand are much cheaper.

Biggest increases in wholesale prices of foodstuffs was in beef, eggs, wheat, (which has more than doubled in price since last year), fresh fruits, pork, poultry.

Prices of flour, onions, potatoes and dried vegetables has decreased.

# LATE NEWS

# RESERVE STOCK BILL PASSED

# Government Takes Control Of Rice

The Bill providing for the maintenance of reserve stocks of commodities considered essential for the vital needs of the Colony during war or other public emergency passed through its final stages at the Legislative Council this afternoon.

It becomes law immediately upon being signed by His Excellency the Governor.

The immediate application of the Bill is that no person shall now be permitted to import rice into the Colony unless a licence is obtained from the Food Controller.

The total stocks that will be held in the Colony will be 10,000 tons. Applications will be invited from any persons desirous of obtaining import licences. The total stocks of rice will be allocated among the applicants.

Each holder of minimum stock will receive payment from a central fund at the rate of 12 cents per picul per month. The central fund will be maintained from a levy of all imports of rice (excluding rice transhipped), the rate of levy may subsequently be reduced.

Government is undertaking to compensate licensed importers for any damage or loss of stock as a result of enemy action.

Hongkong has obtained an assurance from the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that advances will be made up to 70 per cent of the value of stock held under the scheme.

Russian Not Guilty  
 Victor Shamraeff, charged with murder, found Not Guilty by Jury after eight minutes retirement. Jury returned 6-1 majority verdict. Shamraeff was discharged.  
 (See Page Five)

# Rising Cost Of Foodstuff

Official statistics issued this afternoon reveal wholesale cost of foodstuffs in Hongkong was higher during third quarter of 1939 (three months ending September 30), than at any time since 1934, except during the third quarter of 1937, when Sino-Japanese hostilities commenced.

Average price of foodstuffs (wholesale) has risen from basic figure of 85 cents in 1935 to \$1.34. Textiles, on the other hand are much cheaper.

Biggest increases in wholesale prices of foodstuffs was in beef, eggs, wheat, (which has more than doubled in price since last year), fresh fruits, pork, poultry.

Prices of flour, onions, potatoes and dried vegetables has decreased.

# BROADCAST BY EDEN

# Living Tokens Of Broken Faith

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—Co-operation between the Dominions and Britain in war time was the theme of the broadcast made by Mr. Anthony Eden, who at the outset referred to the impending presence in London of Cabinet Ministers from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

There will be practical discussions with these Ministers, and from these discussions would result that close co-operation which was their common aim.

Mr. Eden instanced the development of the Empire air power as one indication that their wartime collaboration with the Dominions had already begun production of practical results.

Initiative Lost  
 In a discussion on hostilities, Mr. Eden said the war was less than two months old, but Hitler had already lost the initiative.

"The aggressor's early advantage is spent. The road to the east is blocked by Russia or barred by Turkey."

"In the West every passing week increases the strength of the free democracies. With fast gathering momentum, we swing into our stride," said Mr. Eden.

"German attacks on our fleet and merchantmen have failed utterly in their purpose."

"By comparison with the last war, the submarine has proved to be an ineffective weapon, while the percentage of losses among U-boats is infinitely higher."

"The Royal Navy and our mercantile marine have swept and kept the seas, the much heralded German offensive on the west still hangs fire, while winter closes in—winter doubtless will be difficult for all, but infinitely to be dreaded by Germany."

"In all this, there is encouragement for final victory, nor has any of us any doubt as regards the ultimate outcome."

World Can Judge  
 "The Nazis loudly declare that war is thrust upon them. The evidence is against them and documents have been published—the world can judge."

"In Warsaw, as in Prague and scores of other cities, German troops stand as invaders to-day. Everywhere there is in defiance of Hitler's pledged word. Each is a living token of the German Government's broken faith," declared Mr. Eden.

The Dominions Secretary also stressed the success of the British Commonwealth of Nations and the spontaneous manner in which the Dominions has entered the present conflict showed that they shared Britain's love of liberty and hatred for tyranny.

Visit Of Dominions Ministers  
 "TELEGRAPH"  
 LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Dominions Cabinet Ministers mentioned by Mr. Anthony Eden in his broadcast speech will be accompanied by military and economic advisers, who will remain behind, after the return of the chiefs, to keep in close touch with the Government departments on their respective problems.

The Ministers are expected to stay about a fortnight, and in addition to the discussion of foreign and military matters, will have discussion with the Ministers of Supply and Food and the President of the Board of Trade.

The visit will enable the Ministers to see at first hand the work of the Government at war time.

The Ministers will visit the munition factories, see the Army and Air Force in training, and possibly will also pay a visit to the Fleet.

What Dominions Have Done  
 Meanwhile, the war efforts of the Dominions and their attempts to solve the difficult problems arising from the war have caused satisfaction in London political circles.

It is pointed out that in addition to mobilising at the outbreak of war, ships of the Dominion British Navy, co-operating with the British Navy, some far from their normal bases, and their help is recognised as most valuable.

The expansion of the Dominion air forces and the proposals for the advanced training of pilots from Australia, New Zealand and Britain in Canada have been widely welcomed among the members of the House of Commons.

It is hoped that the longer flying hours in Canada and immunity from enemy attack will enable the advanced training to be carried out expeditiously.

It is thought that a constant flow of trained pilots from Canada will have an encouraging effect not only in Britain but throughout the Dominions.

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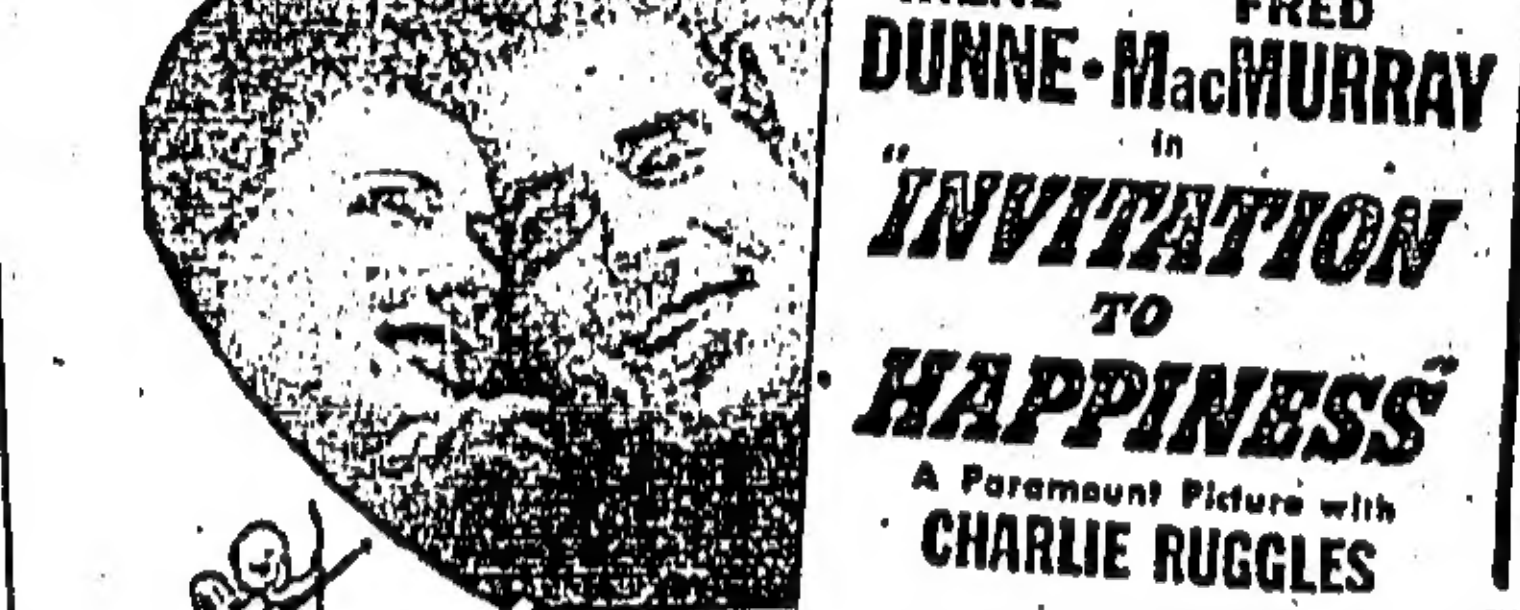
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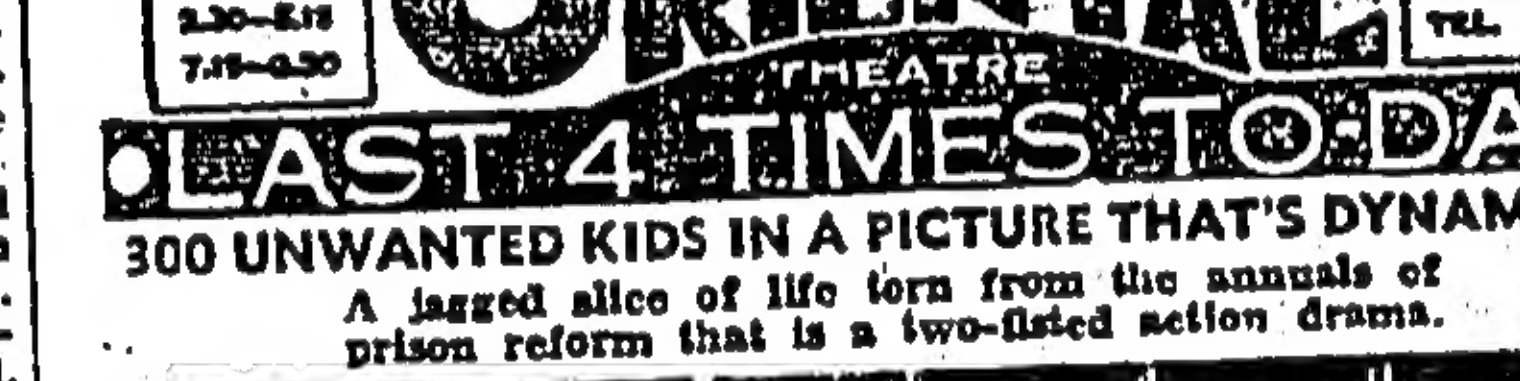
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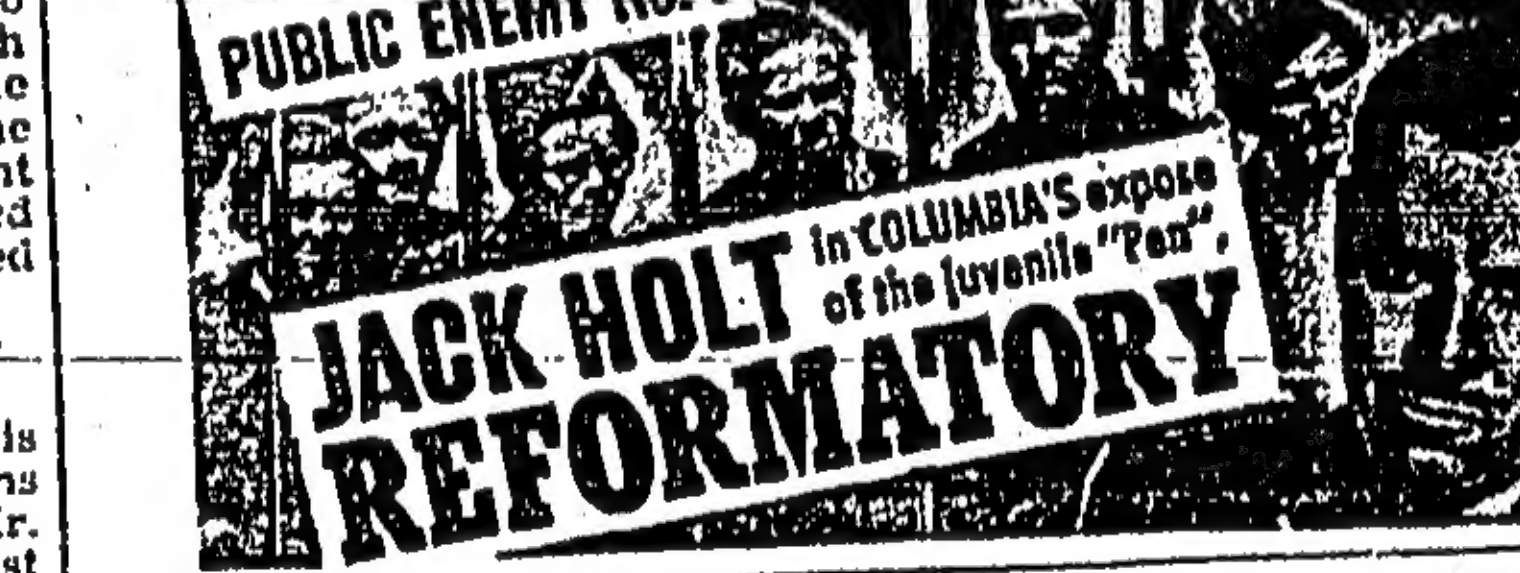
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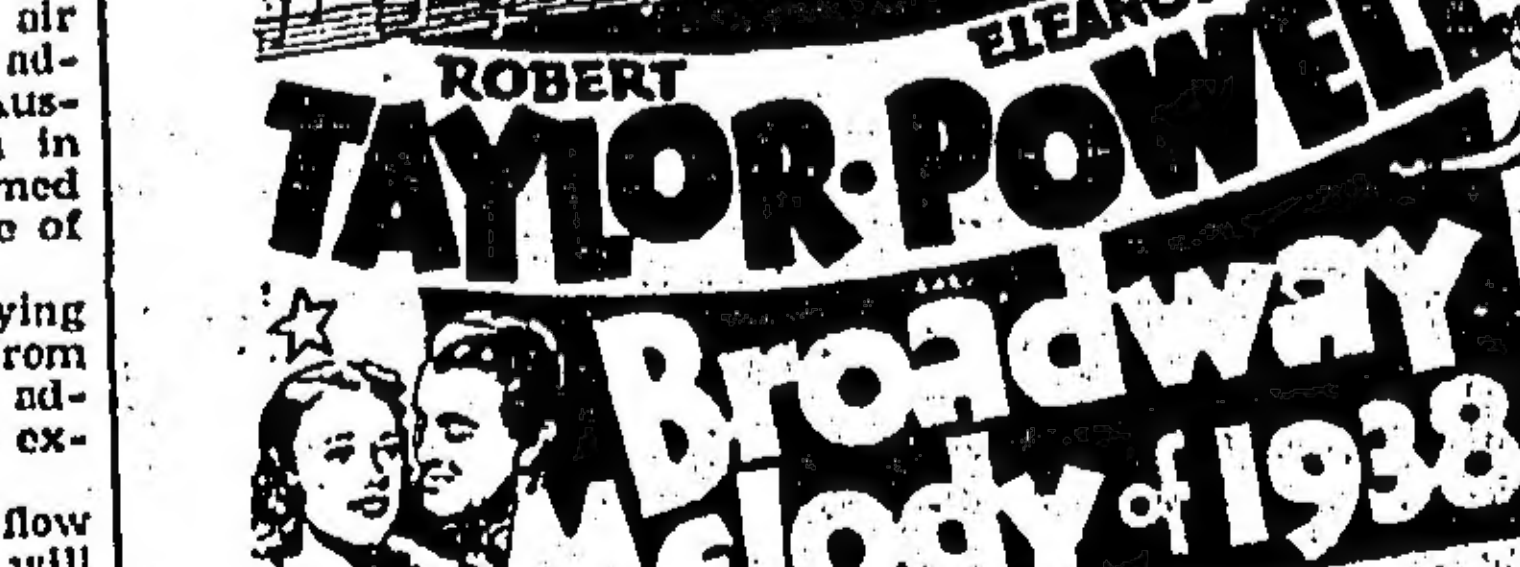


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# R.A.F. PLANES OVER KRUPPS

LONDON, Oct. 25 (Reuter).—A branch factory of Krupp is situated at Magdeburg, over which R.A.F. planes flew on Tuesday night.

The town is the furthest south that R.A.F. planes have penetrated in Germany. It is of great strategic importance and several main railway lines meet there.